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US suspends exports of grain to Russia

The United States has decided to suspend the sale of grain to the Soviet Union to show its displeasure over the invasion of Afghanistan, Mr Harold Brown, the American Defence Secretary. left for Peking amid speculation that Washington could start supplying arms to the Chinese, who are helping Afghan resistance groups.

Envoy flies to China for Afghanistan talks

President Carter has decided to suspend the sale of grain to the Soviet Union, according to informed sources here, some hours before he was due to make a televised broadcast to

the nation.

The Sorier Union had a bad harvest last year, and has contracted to buy 25 million tonnes of grain from the United States this year. The use of the "grain weapon," one of the most potent in America's arsenal, was chosen this morning at a meeting of Mr Carter's senior advisers. senior advisers.

senior advisers.

It involves a sharp reversal of the President's position. In 1976, one of his firmest election promises to American farmets was that he would not use the grain weapon. He told a television interviewer two days ego that the Russian invasion of Afghanistan had completely changed his view of the Soviet Union and he has now evidently decided to invoke strongest sanctions in

The President's decision will have immediate repercussions on domestic politics. Members of the Democratic Party in lows, one of the nation's major lowa, one of the nation's major grain exporting states, meet in cancuses on January 21 to choose delegates to the party convention. The ban on grain sales to the Soviet Union will be highly unpopular in Iowa, and may lose Mr Carter the caucuses' support, to the benefit of Senator Edward Kennedy. A ban on grain sales, would

A ban on grain sales would affect the Russians seriously because it involves a quantity that could not be obtained anywhere else in the world. Their diet would suffer if they lost it—it is mostly needed to fred cattle, pigs and poultry. Brown American Secretary of Defence, left for China this morning after breakfast with President Carter and other officials at the White House. The possibi-lity that the moment might have arrived to "play the China card" was certainly examined. Just what that means is not altogether clear however. The suggestion has been that the Americans could start supplying arms to China, and that such a move would gravely upset the Russians. Reports from

include a reduction in the number of Soviet diplomats permitted here and a revision of various bilateral agreements.
One such matter concerns the Soviet Karma river lorry factory, built with American assistance. It is believed here that the lorries used in the invision came from the Karma invasion came from the Karma factory. Critics of American trade with the Soviet Union opposed the sale of American technology to the Russians, on the ground that it might be used for anti-American or

Mr Carter announced yester-day that ratification of the Salt 2 Treaty would be postponed indefinitely.

Meanwhile, the Administra-

of Justice and Attorney-General, said in a statement he Soviet Union had violated Afghanistan's sovereignty and independence. He said he had not yet decided whether to seek political asylum in the United States, but expected to continue his membership of the Inter-national Law Commission and hoped to remain vice-chairman of the United Nationas Palestine Rights Committee.
Mr Tabibi said his wife and

three children were with him in New York and he did not fear

President Carter has taken some decisions on further ways in which the United States might respond to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, and they will be announced shortly. It is thought that they might include the state of th

aggressive purposes. Their case would now seem to be proved, and the chances of any further sales of advanced technology thereby ended.

tion has consulted congressional leaders about the resumption of arms sales to Pakistan. The dan-ger from across the Khyber ger from across the Khyber Pass is now so severe that the Americans have thought it necessary to reaffirm as publicly as possible their commitment to the defence of Pakistan. Envoy resigns: Mr Abdul Hakim Tabibi, Afghanistan's deputy representative to the United Nations, resigned his post today in protest against the

his country. Mr Tabibi, a former Minister

for their safety.—Ruter.
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widens as **TUC** starts peace talks

Steel strike

By David Felton
Labour Reporter
Union leaders were last night
locked in talks with the British
Steel Corporation in an attempt
inspired by the Trade Union
Congress to end the three-day
national steel strike.
The union weneral secretaries

The union general secretaries, led by Mr Len Murray, General Secretary of the TUC, started meeting senior corporation officials as the Transport and General Workers' Union, which has 15,000 members in the steel industry. industry, joined the two main steel unions on official strike.

steel unions on official strike.

At the meeting with Mr
Rabert Scholey, the Corporation's chief executive, and Dr
David Grieves, its personnel
chief, were Mr William Strs,
general secretary of the Iron
and Steel Trades Confederation,
Mr Hector Smith, leader of the
blastfurnacemen. Mr Mostyn
(Moss) Evans, of the TGWU,
and Mr David Basnett, general
secretary of the General and
Municipal Workers' Union.

The meeting was arranged by
Mr Murray as BSC was considering its reply to Mr Sirs's
challenge that they should make
an offer on account of increased
productivity. The unions have
already rejected an offer of
about 6 por cent, which the

about 6 per cent, which the corporation says could be greatly increased if a productivity scheme is agreed.

Unions and management met for more than four hours

and broke several times for separate discussions. Earlier in the day the union leaders had met at TUC headquarters osten-sibly to discuss a Wolsh TUC

request for strong action.

With all iron and steel production in the public sector halted, it became apparent that Mr Sirs was having increasing difficulty in difficulty in controlling some of his 90,000 striking members. In defiance of the confedera-tion's policy not to involve the private sector steel companies, the 20,000-member Yorkshire and Humberside division of the union decided to start picketing the private companies

Mr Stanley Sheridan, a mem-

ber of the strike coordinating committee, said: "Feelings among the members have hardened and we have decided to picket all the private companies to make the strike more

Of the 20,000 steelmen on strike in the region, more than 5,000 are engaged in picketing. Further support for the oufederation and 12,000

confederation and 12,000 blastiurnacemen came yesterday from Mr Herman Rebhan, general secretary of the International Metal Workers Federation, who said in London: "We are putting a ring of nonsteel around Britain."

The announcement by Mr Evans that the TGWU had made the strike official was not

made the strike official was not mexpected. A large number of his members had already stop-ped work Callaghan attack: Mr James Callaghan, who left London for Washington last night, attacked the Conservative Government's bandling of the steel

As the Opposition leader walked to his aircraft at Heathrow airport, he said: "I have no doubt I could solve the steel

strike and have them back to work within a week.

"I have the contacts on both sides to get talks moving and to see that there is a just outcome. It is imperative that the crike is resolved." to see that there is a just outcome. It is imperative that the books on the lioness Elsa, who srike is resolved.*

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Decision could isolate Britain in world sport and imperil the Commonwealth Games

South African tour approved by English Rugby Union

Rugby Correspondent
The committee of the Rugby
Football Union decided in Loudon yesterday to give English
approval for the British Lions' tour to South Africa this summer. The Weish are thought to have come to a similar conclu-sion on Thursday evening and now, with support from Scot-land and freland already indicated, the four home unions tours committee, at their meet-ing tomorrow, will have a unanimous vote for the tour to

The decision will reverberate throughout the sporting world and, if the threats of the black nations in Africa and Alsewher are to be believed, will have some extremely unpleasant

However, the rugby hierarchy in Britain is prepared to live with the consequences. There can be little doubt that opinions within it have slift-ened considerably since the U.S.S.R. marched into Afgaan-

A statement after the meeting said they had taken their decision after full debate and careful consideration of all im-plications. The RFU secretary, Air Commodore Bob Weighill, would not say if the decision was unanimous.

The die now seems cast for Eritish rugby administrators not only to ignore the pleas of the Government but of leaders of other sporting bodies.

implications for British sport Sir Denis Follows chairman as a whole, of the British Olympic Association, said the decision sounded a death knell for the Common-

wealth Killer in the Commons wealth Games, due to be held in Brisbane in 1982. "The black countries", he added, "carry arear voting strength in the Commonwealth movement and they will also be expense. they will also be trying to get "Ther us kicked out of the Olympic said, Games." ment

"I don't think that will hap-pen because the black African nations are in a minority in the Olympic movement and Eritain has done nothing wrong. The British Olympic committee have adhered to the Gleneagles agreement. But it is clear that every effort will be made to hinder and aggrevate our participation in Moscow."

Mr Dick Jeeps, chairman of the Sports Council, who leads a fact-finding mission to South Africa next Saturday (with Basil D'Oliveira, the former England Test cricketer, as one of his team) finds himself—as a former president of the RFU in an unenviable position.
"There seems little doubt," he said, "that Russia's involvement in Afghanistan has hard-ened the RFU's resolve. How

much the threats we have heard made to British sport are a biuff I don't know, "I just hope that the RFU's decision will not cause those who have agreed to talk to us there is still not organized on a multi-racial basis then we

Mr Paul Stephenson, the one black member on the sports Michael Steele-Bodger, one of two RFU representatives on the four home unions tours commirtee, "should now in all

honour resign' Mir John Disley, a former Olympic steeplechaser and a vice-chairman of the Council, saw Britain being isolated in sport after sport. Mr David Shaw, secretary of the British Amateur Athleric Board, declared that the RFU's in South Africa to change their Board, declared that the RFU's minds. If we find that sport decision was highly inconsider. die to the whole sporting world.
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who featured in 'Born Free'.

Lion kills author of 'Born Free'

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, Jan 4

Joy Adamson, whose books "Born Free", "Living Free" and "Forever Free", telling of her work with lions in Kenya, had a worldwide reader. had a worldwide readership, was killed by a lion in her safari camp in the Shaba game reserve, 250 miles north of

Mrs Adamson had been working in a remote area of Kenya, continuing her research on wild

band, and later was returned to the wild. "Born Pree" was made into a successful film. Reports from the area said Mrs Adamson was out walking near her camp early today when she saw a buffalo being stalked by a lion, The lion apparently turned on her.

director of the World Wildlife Fund and a director of Elsa Limited—a trust company estab Limited—a trust company estab-lished by Joy Adamson to further wildlife conservation— said in Nairobi: "We are greatly shocked. She will undoubtedly be missed as one of the greatest contributors to wildlife awareness and conservation that Kenya has ever produced

Born in Austria, Mrs Adamson, who was aged 69, lived for many years with her husband George in remote parts of Obituary, page 14

Rhodesian guerrillas rush to beat deadline

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, Jan 4

Salisbury, Jan 4
There appeared to be a last minute rush by Patriotic Front guerrillas toright to assemble at rendezvous points in Southern Rhodesia by the midnight coasetire deadline. With six hours to go the num-ber of Zanla and Zipra guerrillas to have reported was said to be 9,000. That was an in-crease of 2,000 since this morning and sources close to the Commonwealth monitoring Commonwealth monitoring force said the number of men coming in was increasing fast. Zanla forces comprises 6,000 of the 9,000 and Zipra forces

Sources close to Lord Sources close to Lord Sources, the Governor, said that the exercise had gone well although there were difficulties. There had been cooperation between all the forces concerned. One military source said the number given register reflects. number given conight reflected the clear effort being made by the Patriotic Front to comply with the ceasefire agreement. But there will certainly be a shortfall and the exact number of succrillas who have reported in will not be known until mid-

day tomorrow at the earliest.

It is expected that Lord Soames will indicate on Sunday what his policy will be towards those guerrillas who refuse the crusefire offer. Sources said tonight that there would definitely not be an extension of the

ceasefire period but the posi-tion would be treated sensibly. The rendezvous camps will be closed tomorrow morning and the monitoring forces moved out. Guerrillas still outside will not be attacked indiscriminately and their treatment will depend on their conductions. conduct.

include attempts to stage victory marches, intimidate local people and hand our elec-tioneering leaflets. Overall, lawlessness in the country has decreased although a Rhodesian Military Command communique

Military Command communique tonight reported several cases of robbery, attempted murder and intimidation.

A grenade was thrown into the Salisbury home of a leading member of Mr Robert Mugabe's Zanu. Mr James Bassoppo Moyo was away at the time. His wife was slightly injured.

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Nurses disappointed with Clegg award giving rises of 19.6%

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

sional evaluation comparable to male pay rates, and on that reckoning the increase should bave been about 59 per cent.

Merely to restore nurses' salaries since the last big award six years ago would have meant

a 25 per cent increase. The value of nurses' salaries was still being eroded. The Clegg recommendations were based on a 371-bour week although nurses would continue to work a 40-bour week until April,

Miss Catherine Hall, general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, said: "The report is very disappointing and fails to come up to our expectations and aspirations."

The one element to be wel-

comed was that ward sisters, although not coming out as well as was hoped for, had done better than most with a 25 per

better than most with a 25 per cent increase.

Mr Stephen Johnson, assistant organizer for health service staff, National and Local Government Officers' Association, said that the 19.6 per cent fell well short of many public sector settlements. The union was appalled that some nurses was appalled that some nurses would get no increase at all, both in the top and bortom

wives had "mixed feelings" about the report, No recognition had been given to the extra training qualification and skill required by midwives, it was Mr Robert Jones, National Union of Public Em-ployees, said the union was

concerned that future erosion of salaries had been left to the Whitley Council, which fixes nurses pay. Given the Government's present policy on public expenditure, that was a recipe

The management side of the Whitley Council said that the

Health Services Correspondent
Nurses are awarded an average salary increase of 19.6 per cent, at an estimated cost of £311m, in the report of the Clegg commission on pay comparability, published yesterday.

Their leaders expressed disappointment at the amount.

Mr David Williams, chairman of the staff side negotiating committee, said he thought nurses everywhere would be disappointed. They had worked for nurses to be paid on a professional evaluation comparable to service of the £300m Halsbury award to nurses will be paid to two equal stages, from August, 1979, and from April 1 this year.

Ward sisters in the top of the seven pay grades will get en increase from £4,819 a year

to 55,024 and those on the first grade from 52,758 to 54,698. Staff nurses pay will rise from £3,020 to £3,715 in the first grade and from £3,683 to £4,530 in the top grade, Enrolled nurses,

£2,720 at first and a maximum of £3,281, will have rises to £3,346 and £4.036. But nursing auxiliaries and student nurses will receive only about £3,000 a year in the top

grade.
The profession is now preparing evidence for its next pay cloky, to be submitted in April. There are about 491.000 nurses and midwives in the bealth service, of whom about 42.000

The Government has already undertaken to bonour the Clegg report, and the rates of pay recommended will be implemented on the ogreed

Standing Commission on Page Comparability. Report No 3, masses and midwives (Stationery Office, £2). Teachers' claim: Teachers'

leaders are to press for an im-mediate 10 per cent pay rise for and Wales after the decision of the Clegg commission not to produce an interim report on teachers' pay (our Education Correspondent writes). Profes-sor Clegg told teachers' leaders able to complete the necessary research in time to produce an interim report this month.

The commission would there-

fore press on with its work to produce a full and final report. Teachers are claiming a 38.7 per cent increase to restore the pay relativities established by the Houghton Committee in

Pakistan suggest that China is arming resistance groups in Afghanistan, presumably with Gold slips to \$590 in profit taking

By David Blake Economics Editor The panic for gold fahered in London yesterday with the price dropping \$40 to close at \$590 an ounce. But at the end of the day there were renewed signs that the world's money

dollar. In New York, gold closed only \$7 an ounce down on Thursday's price at \$602. There was a late rally, after a prolonged reverse which had taken the price down to \$573 and the price down to \$573 and the price down to \$573 and the price down to \$500 and \$50 ounce earlier in the day.

Dealers were watchful and trading generally erraric, with prices at one point climbing

markets remain profoundly worried about the state of the

Once again, overnight business in the Far East, particularly Hongkong, set the rone for trading in London. Gold was weakened considerably by profit taking, as some who bought at a lower price converred their notional gains into real money, and by rumours about a United States Treasury

sale of gold. It was suggested that the American authorities were about to sell off 6 million ounces of their stocks of gold in an effort to strengthen the dollar and drive down the gold

price all in one.

There was no hint of confirmation of this rumour during vesterday's trading in London, but the simple fact that it had been mentioned helped to calm

the markets.
Gold opened down in London and the morning fix was set et \$596 an ounce, sharply lower than the overnight close of \$630. The dollar did better against most European currencies, even without the help of the substantial central bank support which was given on Thursday in an

effort to prop it up. Sterling fell slightly against the dollar during the day, closing at 2.2380. Its effective exchange rate compared to 1971

Mr Maude sees revival of pride

Britain's standing in world affairs has gone up because of the foreign policy activities of Mrs. Thatcher and Lord Cartington, the Foreign Secretary, according to Mr Angus Mande. People understood there had been a change and felt proud about it, Mr Maude. Paymaster General and minister responsible for coordinating the Government's information services, said yesterday. In an interview on the BBC radio programme, The World at One, he said he was senisfied that the Government's policies on the economy and the steel dispute were beginning economy and the steel dispute were beginning to be understood Page 2

Sea claims three more

The sea has claimed the lives of three more fishermen from Buckie, Grampian. The third boat in seven months has gone down, bringing the death toll from the port to 16. The trawler Bounteous capsized off Cornwell while mackerel fishing. Three of the crew were saved Page 2

£40m loss for Talbot

Talbot Motor, formerly Chrysler, is expected to announce losses of about £40m in 1979, a company spokesman said. Strikes and the suspension of deliveries of Paykan components to Iran are

Close call for Marines Admiralty papers released at the Public Record Office disclose strong opposition by the Royal Navy in 1949 to a senior civil servant's suggestion that the Royal Marines and the Wrens be

disbanded as an economy measure

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Radioactive waste pipe springs leak

A leak has been discovered in a pipe carrying radioactive waste out to sea from the nuclear retreatment centre in La Hague, in Normandy. The use of the pipe has been stopped while repairs are carried out. The French aurhorities consider that there is no danger as the levels of radioactivity close to the leak are only slightly increased Page 3

Home students pledge

The Government plans to keep the present number of places for home students in higher education. Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said. He denied that there would be fewer opportunities for school-leavers to study for degrees Page 3

Iranian street riots

Followers of Ayarollah Khomeini, the Iranian religious leader, and those of Ayarollah Shariat-Madari, his Azerbaijani rival, have rioted in Qom. Each group tried to attack the home of the other's leader. The riots lasted all day despite both leaders' appeals for caim
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Israel farm scandal

A political scandal is brewing in Israel over an 875-acre farm in the Negev desert, owned by Mr Ariel Sharon, the Agriculture Minister. He steadfastly refuses to relinquish control of the Page 4

agreement" but unions and management deny breakdown BL pay talks: Negotiations end in "total dis-

Public school fire: Damage is estimated at more than £50,000 after Uppingham boarding school

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MP 'appalled' by decision not to prosecute police over death of James Kelly

By Craig Seton

No police officers are to be prosecuted over the death of Mr Gerty to conduct an informal labourer, aged 53, who died after his arrest last June by Merseyside police, Sir Thomas Hetherington, the Director of Mr Set Harold Wilson, the Huyber on MP, and other Liverpool MPs unsuccessfully called for an independent inquiry into Mr Kelly's death and the rase broads.

Last night Mrs Lilly Shaw, Mr Kelly's sister, said she was disgusted with the decision and planned to go ahead with civil proceedings against the police. Mr Alan Berg, the family solicitor, warned that any civil ac-tion for damages could involve the naming of individual police officers in the claim.

Mr Kenneth Oxford, the Chief

Constable of Merseyside, said

yesterday that the case papers would now be sent to the Police Complaints Board and the coroner who adjourned the inquest into Mr Kelly's death. The DPP made his decision after considering a report by Mr David Gerty, an assistant chief constable of the West Midlands Police, who was

called in by Mr Oxford to investigate the circumstances of

Mr Kelly's death. The police

said he was found unconscious on wasteland. Sir Thomas said the evidence prosecutions were taken. did not justify criminal proceedings against any police officers, but last night Mr Michael Meacher, the Labour MP for Oldham, West, said he was appalled by the decision. "The impression given is of a total whitewash", he said. Mr Kelly died after his arrest oa June 20 by Merseyside police officers as he was going home from a local public house. His family accused the police of brurality and said witnesses had seen Mr Kelly

an independent inquiry into Mr Kelly's death and the case brought forth further serious allegations of brutality by members of the Merseyside force. Mr James Jardine, chair-man of the Police Federation, complained angrily about a "campaign of abuse" against

the local police.

Last night Mrs Shaw said: "I did not think a decision like this was possible. Words cannot express the anger I feel."

Mr Berg said consideration

would have to be given to start-

ing civil proceedings for damages against the police either in the High Court or the county court and that he would press for the inquest on Mr Kelly to be resumed as soon as possible. Mr Meacher, who has raised the general subject of deaths in police custody with Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary said vesterday that he intended to raise in the Commons the basis on which decisions about

He said: "It needs a radical overhaul. I am deeply disrurbed by this decision over Mr Kelly. is now virtually impossible in this country to make a charge of assault against the police stick. It is a question of initiating proceedings." He said it followed swiftly

proceedings after the Bingham inquiry and people would draw the conclusion that the establishment was closing its ranks. "It is difficult to resist such being beaten by police officers.

A Home Office pathologist
failed to find evidence of a beating, but an independent pathologist brought in by the of the action committee set up of the action committee set up family reported 32 bruises and after Mr Kelly's death, said a a double fracture of the jaw. public inquiry should be held.

on the decision not to take



The International Year of the Child has done a little to focus attention on the problems of deaf children.

But, unfortunately, their problems won't just come to an end because the year has ended. They're always going to have difficulty communicating: to understand what people say, and to speak to people, will be

a lifetime struggle. Deaf children need your understanding and your help.

Only then will they become less isolated and lonely. With our limited resources, the RNID run a hostel and

training centres for deaf children, a special school and also residential homes. Not nearly enough when you realise there are around two million people in this country who are suffering from

Deafness, in fact, is the only disability that affects everyone at some time in their life, yet it is still the disability that is most misunderstood and ridiculed

some form of deatness.

For deaf children the struggle is only just starting. So please do not turn a deaf ear to their plight this year. Or next year. RNID The Royal National Institute for the Deaf.

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Government's message | Sea claims 'getting through' on tough economic policy

cording to Mr Angus Maude,

As a result of Mrs Thatcher's and the Foreign Secretary's activities in Washington and over Rhodesia, and their latest initiative on the Russian inin world affairs

"The people's reaction to this is very positive. They really do understand that a change is coming about and are rather pleased and proud about it." Interviewed in the BBC radio

programme, The World at One. Mr Maude rejected a sugges-tion that the Government was not getting across effectively its message about economic policy and in particular its significance jobs, at in the steel industry dispute.

"I am satisfied that the message is beginning to get Mrs

"A year ago the British ernment's tough economic Leyland ballot could not pos-measures is not declining, ac. sibly have gone the way it cording to Mr Appendix. Paymaster General and minister have been no chance of the responsible for coordinating mineworkers voting down a the Government's information recommendation from their executive to go on strike over a pay deal ". Mr Maude said.

There was not the slightest doubt, he said, that the message was getting through. Parinitiative on the Russian in-vasion of Afghanistan, they had built up Britain's standing polls, did not suggest that the public reaction had been very had, considering the unpopular things that the Government had had to do.

If we could become competitive in our industries, if we could improve our productirity, and the Government would do everything to create the climate in which that could happen, we could begin to create new wealth and new jobs, and people would see the results of the Government's

through, but in my view would be talking on those sub-actions speak louder than jects in an important television words and it is only when the results of policies are seen that World programme tomorrow.

Praise for Mrs Thatcher defended by preacher

preaching from the pulpit on the virtues of Mrs Margaret Thatcher as Prime Minister.

The Rev Brian Cooke, aged 45, circuit minister at Netherton, Dudley, West Midlands, said that his sermon to mark the new year had not pleased with the proposertion. all his congregation. A few had walked out, and one woman had stopped the sermon and addressed the congregation herself while Mr Cooke stayed in the pulpit.

Mr Cooke said: "I do not honey who she was but one of

decade I thought it appropriate A Methodist minister said to mention social and political yesterday that he did not regret problems which affect us all. I wanted to speak about those we have all faced during the past

10 years.
"I support some Conservative policies, but not all, and I particularly praised Mrs Thatcher for her character and forthrightness. I do not make a habit of talking about politics from the pulpit, but occasion seemed right.

The Rev Nigel Gilson, chair-man of the Wolverhampton and the pulpit.

Mr Cooke said: "I do not said: "This is a domestic know who she was, but one of my lay preachers also spoke out. I think it is all very sad, prepares his own material."

Businessman plans flight to a record

By Sara Bonner

Next week a London reinsurance broker hopes to travel around the world not in 80 days but in under two, entirely on scheduled passenger flights.

If he succeeds, Mr David Springbett, aged 41, will knock seven and a half hours off the record for a circumnavigation the world on scheduled flights, established in 1978 by two Australian journalists.

Mr Springbett's 23,068-mile route involves more stops than theirs did, but he thinks his ingeling with timetables in the ABC World Airways Guide shows more "entrepreneural dash", as well as giving him the fastest route with the best chance of not going wrong.

He plans to take off from Los Angeles at 7 pm on Tuesday and fly to London, Bahrain, Singa-pore, Bangkok, Manila, Tokyo, Honolulu and back to Los Angeles, hoping to arrive at 5.05 pm on Thursday, a round trip of about 46 hours, compared with the current record of 53 hours. 34 minutes.

Mr Springbett will fly in Con-corde for part of his journey and among the air lines he will be flying with are SAS, Pan Am, Northwest Orient and Thai International.

His tight schedule does not allow for much delay in arrivals

As he is travelling fir
and take-offs, but he has taken he expects to eat well



Mr David Springbett: His attempt on a world record takes off on Tuesday.

precautions in the event of fog, strikes or other hazards. If he misses a connexion and the attempt is abandoned he has booked the same trip for chance of breaking the record.

Mr Springbett says he is one of the most travelled business travellers, His total milage to date is 2,373,026 on 1,555 flights. Last year he travelled 303,395 miles. He regards this as good train-

He regards this as good training for the 46 hours or so he will be flying. Jet lag holds no terrors for him, though he admits he finds it difficult to sleep on aircraft. To question what he calls the "jet-lag myth", he will be medically examined by British Airways before and after the trip. before and after the trip.
As he is travelling first class

another three from

By Alan Hamilton

The sea has claimed three more sons of Buckie. A third boat in seven months has gone down, bringing to 16 the num-ber who have sailed out of the busy, prosperous, fishing port in north-east Scotland and have not come home.

Early yesterday the trawler, Bounteous, on its first mackerel grounds after the new year holiday, foundered less than a mile off Mousehole, near Penzance and sank within a minute of capsizing. Three of her crew, including her skipper, were lost, and three save A search by the Penlee life-boat, a flotilla of other craft and helicopters from RAF Culd-

rose proved fruitless. The three men lost were Mr Edward Phimister, the skipper, aged 30; married with two children: Mr Russell Hillier, aged 27; and Mr Joseph Bowie, aged 26; all of Buckie, Grampian.

Three others of the crew were pitched into the water and rescued by another Scottish fishing vessel, the Loranthus. They were Mr Alexander Phinister, aged 22, the skipper's hrother: brother: Mr Alexander Sammon, aged 24; and Mr Alexander Murray, aged 19, whose father is chairman of the fishermen's association in

Mr Murray, who had travelled by road to Cornwall from Buckie with the rest of the crew to join the Bounteous, said: "It was all over in a few



left) Alexander Murray, Alexander Phimister and Alexander Sammon, recovering at Newlyn Seamen's Mission.

seconds. One moment the three of us were on deck bagging fish; the next moment we were in the water. There was no southern shores of the Moray grounds to seek white fish off fish; the next moment we were in the water. There was no chance for us to hang on to

almost before we had time to realize anything was wrong. The others must have been trapped and pulled down with her."

Mr Murray, who has been a fisherman for two years, was on his first trip with the Bounteous. Yesterday his father was at the drowned skipper's home in Buckie, com-

southern shores of the Moray Firth with a population of 7,000, which lives almost exclusively from boats and fish, has reason to fear the vengeance of the sea. In June the trawler Corinthia sank off Orkney with the loss of six men. Then, last month, the Buckie boat, Ocean Monarch, disappeared in the North Sea, and seven men with it.

It is a heavy toll for a small

town, whose fishing fleet numskipper's home in Buckie, comforting the family.

There is as yet no explanation for the capsize. Rescuers

The state of the capsize in t

the Sherlands and Norway, and many have chanced their hand at the Cornish mackerel, a long sail but a profitable one, with East European factory ships at anchor waiting to buy For the modern trawlers of

Buckie, used to the angry waters of the northern North Sea. Corowall was an unex

read: Accept the principle advocated by ceptional voyage. But for the Bounteous, harely a year old, and for three Buckle families, it was a grim reminder that fish is the last food that Western man still hunts in the

Accept the principle advocated by the report that we should adopt a plan of reequipment for the Forces over a period of years rather than continue the policy, which has perhaps been inevitable during the years of rundown from war strength, of living from hand to mouth and making do with what we have got . but the [Harwood] committee have relied upon a very steep rise in defence expenditure after 1952-53 in order how they saw off the threat on that occasion.

The 1949 Cabinet papers-4

It is a brave man who takes

on a great, established national

institution, as Sir Kenneth

Berrill found in 1977, when his

Central Policy Review Staff

suggested ways in which the Foreign Office might arrange

itself more economically.

Admiralty papers released at the Public Record Office this week under the 30-year rule reveal the borror with which

the Royal Navy greeted a senior civil servant who had the temerity to suggest that the

Royal Marines and the Women's

Royal Naval Service, the Wrens, should be disbanded as an economy measure.

The Chiefs of Staff commis-

sioned a secret study on the

future size and shape of the

Armed Forces from a working party led by Sir Edmund Harwood, a senior official at the Ministry of Food, who had spent a year in 1947 as Civilian

Director of the Imperial Defence College. The Harwood report,

top secret at the time, caused an eruption in the Admiralty. In a brief for Lord Hall, the

First Lord, to take to a meeting of the Standing Committee of Service Ministers on July 5, 1949, the outrage of the admirals received written ex-

pression: The Admiralty, it

Admirals saved Royal

to achieve readiness for

Their lordships took particular

Their forustrys to be particular exception, however, to the Har-wood recommendation, that the Royal Marines and the Wrens should be replaced, where neces.

sary, by seamen and all their special establishments "closed

down:

The Admiralty objection to the abotition of the Royal Marines as a part of the naval service is based partly on the view that this step would affect adversely the fighting efficiency of the Navy and partly on the damage to morale both on the damage to morale both the Navy and of the public generally that would result from such a measure. A contributory reason is that the Royal Marines include provisions for bands required for the naval service.

The Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister M.

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, chaired a special Cabinet committee, CEN 296, on Armed Forces saving; on July 5, which, after a rambling discussion, contented itself with the general recommendation "that all concerned should address themselves to the management of the remselves to the resolution."

address themselves to the pos-sibilities of effecting econo-mies". In November the matter

came back to the Cabiner's

In another brief for Lord Hall,

In another brief for Lord Hall, next to the Harwood recommendation of disbandment, the Admiralty had written: "Royal Marines and WRNS are not to be abolished and this point does not now arise". The Royal Marines were safe, at least for another 25 years, when their aristence was once more under

existence was once more under discussion as part of the Labour Government's defence review of 1974. The public will have to wait until January, 2005, to see

Request to

delay inquiry

A request was made yester-

day for an adjournment or re-constitution of the public in-

quiry in the proposal by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority to drill rest

boreholes for possible nuclear waste disposal in the Galloway

on A-waste

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

defence committee.

Marines and Wrens

Moving of imported steel blacked at two ports Mr Michael Skelton, the Corby strike coordinator, said he was "delighted" by the

From Nicholas Timmins

King's Lynn The Transport and General Workers' Union vesterday blacked movements of imported steel out of the east coast ports of King's Lynn and Boston, which between them handle about 500,000 tonnes a year.

The blacking was improved

The blacking was imposed after a meeting in King's Lynn between local TGWU officials and steel workers on a flying picket from Corby and Sheffield steel works.

Despite the arrival of the picket at 7 am, the steel workers believe that about 100 tonnes of steel was slipped out of the

docks through a gate they did not know of before the meeting took place.
But Mr Roger Ward, the King's Lynn TGWU district secretary, and Mr Barry Cooper, the Boston district secretary,

further imports would move out

of the docks during the strike.

The three-day-old steel strike has claimed its first three-day-old

casualties and last night a seri-

ous worsening of the situation seemed likely if weekend peace

talks fail and private sector

companies become embroiled

Mr Arthur Scargill, the York-shire miners' leader, yesterday pledged "substantial financial support" for the strike and promised to supply pickets if

they were asked for by the

and Steel Trades Confedera-

found it was unable to cover all the private firms in York-

shire and Humberside it might ask the miners for help.

Lorries were still moving in and out of private companies

The

next week.

Steel Company, which provides finished products such as reinforcing rod for the construction industry, and holds its stock in the port area.

A 500-ton steel shipment from The Netherlands may arrive at King's Lynn on Monday morning, although action on the Continent by the International

Transport Workers' Federation

Secondary pickets claimed

their first victim yesterday when Templeborough Rolling

Mills, which is jointly owned by Bridon Ltd and the BSC,

decided to halt production.

Pickets at the company's three

entrances prevented steel billets being delivered for roll-ing and the dispatch of wire

The company's stock facili-

ties, which normally hold about

4,000 tonnes of materials, are

bursting at the seems with

rod to customers.

may prevent it leaving.

Secondary pickets claim victims

Dispensation has however, been granted to the King's Lynn

The Corby picket is likely to return on Monday in case it

Two 600-ton shipments from Germany and Belgium are also due into Boston on Monday, and But in the two hours after the pickets left, at least six trailers loaded with imported Mr John Aliwell, the assistant port manager, said that in view of the TGWU decision he expected the steel to be unloaded but not moved out. steel left the King's Lynn dock area. Mr Maurice Loades, the lorry owner, denied that the steel was going to customers for delivery. He said that the For those ports, particularly King's Lynn, where steel makes up 25 to 30 per cent of the port's trade, the embargo could be serious if the strike is protrailers were going for storage at his company's other depots.

Mr Skelton said flying pickets from Corby could be sent to private steel companies and stockholders in the Midlands

next week. Under the Government's

Employment Bill, now going through Parliament, employers would be able to seek redress through the courts against the type of picketing seen yester-day at King's Lynn.

production, runs contrary to the

understandings given to the British Independent Steel Pro-ducers Association by Mr Wil-

liam Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC.

dispute with the ISTC, although companies have been warned

not to increase production to make up for shortfalls in sutput

from BSC plants.

The private sector is not in

The pickets were unbappy over Thursday's suggestion by Mr William Sirs, general secre-tary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, that the strike could be called off if an advance payment was made on BSC's proposal for local pro-ductivity schemes.

The pickets attacked the move as "rubbish". Picketing stepped up: Long traffic queues built up at BSC's huge steel works at Rayens craig, Lanarkshire, as steelmen stepped up their pickering yesterday (the Press Association reports).

It took some employees more than an hour to get into the plant, as the queue stretched for more than half-a-mile, Scotland's steel workers do not end their new year break until Monday and yesterday's action was aimed at staff, mainten-ance men and other non-ISTC

Rugby shirt clue

The shirt, with maroon, black and white boops, was found on the man, who had ginger hair and was aged between 25 and 35. An unopered tin of Portuguese sordines with the name "Oceano" was in the woman's salling facker pocker. She was azed about 20.

agree in BL pay talks By Clifford Webb

Failure to

Crucial pay raiks between the BL management and unions representing 90,000 car workers representing 90,000 car workers ended in "total disagreement" last night after more than 100 hours of negotiations spread over the past three months. But both sides refused to admir a total breakdown.

Hawley, Grenville of the Transport and General Workers' Union and leader of the union side on BL's joint negotiating committee, said: "We have achieved only minor changes in the company's proposals on new working prac-

"They will not budge on pay. We have exhausted our mandate as negotiators and must go back for further in-

He will be reporting the impasse to a meeting of 400 senior shop stewards in Coventry next Thursday.

Asked whether the response to any concessions by the man-agement would be a call for a strike, Mr Hawley said: " It is possible. But what we are not

going to do is destroy BL.
"The most important thing

is to protect the jobs of our Throughout the negotiations the unions have insisted that BL should replace its 5 to 10 per cent pay offer (according to grades) by a flat-rate in-crease for all. The management

At a meeting at Ayr town hall Mr Kelvin MacDonald, representing the Town and proposed an adjournment while the terms of reference were

broadened to include a proper examination of national and in-ternational policy on nuclear waste disposal programmes. He regarded that proposal as

second best to cancelling the inquiry in favour of a national inquiry at a later date He cautioned anyone against believing the inquiry was considering merely the temporary intrusion of small-scale indus-

trial use into a remote and un-Spoilt area.

Trains delayed by derailment

High Speed Train services between London and south Wales were affected yesterday when six empty freight wagons were derailed outside Parkway station, Bristol. The main line was blocked in both direction for several hours.

Electronic signalling and point equipment was damaged.

table lamp fell into bath

A girl aged seven who died on Thursday evening after a table lamp fell into the water while she was having a bath was named yesterday as Simone

By Our Political Correspondent Tactics used by Mr Enoch Powell, Official Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South to "smear" the Foreign Office King's Heath, Birmingham. She was in the bath with her younger sister.

Hearing screams, Mrs Kirk-ham, the girls' mother, ran into revive her daughter.
The Midlands Electricity
Board declined to comment
yesterday on the accident, but

board officials are preparing a report for the coroner. It is understood that during rewiring the bathroom was temporarily lit by a table lamp on a window

The safest place for minority

conflicts is in a grouping of minorities. their own people, a speaker "Doorste

day. Dr Russell Murray, of most killings. "The other sites

Exeter University and formerly of civilian deaths, pubs. streets

of Queen's University Belfast, and other buildings, are anony-added: "The bigger the mous, impersonal places that

groups to live during sectarian

added: "The bigger the ghetto, the better".

proved that the people most at

risk were Protestants living in

Roman Catholic areas, followed

by Catholics living in Protestant

weas, then Catholics in mixed

areas. Protestants living in Pro-

From John Chartres

Lancaster

Girl killed when MP condemns Mr Powell's Ulf Andersson meets strong attack on Foreign Office

He suggested that his find- been made on the grounds of

ings had clear implications for who they are as individuals, English cities in the light of but of what and where they the increase in attacks on racial are.

"In many attacks, on pubs.

MP for Down, South to leagues to British interests smear" the Foreign Office been uniformly beneficial. for allegedly working against the wishes of the majority in Northern Ireland to satisfy the United States, the Vatican and the Irish Republic, were attacked yesterday by Mr Raymond Whitney, Conservative MP for Wycombe and a former

In an open letter to Mr Powell, commenting on his speech at Dundonald, co Down, on Thursday, in which he described the Foreign Office as "that nest of vipers, that ested to hear about it. nursery of traitors", Mr Whit- "It really is not enough to ney said he would be the last rely on a generalized smear."

Minority people 'safest in groups'

their own people, a speaker said at the conference of the Institute of British Geographers at Lancaster University yester.

minorities.

"Doorstep" murders. Dr on groups of workmen, on Murray said. were significant, members of the security forces they appeared to have a greater public impact than to be to kill Catholics, or Protestical Control of the security forces and the security forces and the security forces at Lancaster University yester.

He presented a paper to the conference examining the geographical distribution of 82 your should be safe.

The presented a paper to the if he wishes. Your home is the one place above all where you should be safe.

The presented a paper to the if he wishes. Your home is the one place above all where you should be safe. an individual can usually avoid

"doorstep" murders in Belfast "It seems likely that the sonal features. In the jargon between 1969 and 1977. He shock effect is in many cases that has been adopted in Northsaid that figures he had collated one of the killers' objectives.

appears to have been singled out, there has been a deliberate

"In these cases the victim

testant areas were the safest. a civilian the choice has not at the outbreak of my conflict. centre.

the years the contribution of his erstwhile Foreign Office colleagues to British interests had

"I am, however, aware that for more than a decade the diplomatic service has worked very bard to educate the rest of the world about the realities of Northern Ireland." Mr Whitney said that if Mr Powell had any evidence of what he had called Foreign Office "skulduggery" designed

to ensure that the province was "offered up as a sacrifice", many people would be inter-

estants, or soldiers, but not to kill a specific known member

The civilian victims of the

doorstep murders, on the other

ern Ireland, these are sectarian

He suggested that some of

of one of these groups.

murders."

out, there has been a deliberate the earlier doorstep murders decision to kill a particular per-represented a "purification"

son at a particular location or "clearing the deck" opera-Yet where the victim has been tion of the kind that occurred

"It really is not enough to

attack to keep chess lead From Harry Golombek

Chess Correspondent Hastings

Hastings
The lead in the ICL grandmaster chess tournament at Hastings was stil in the hands yesterday of the Swedish grandmaster,
Ulf Andersson, with \$1 points. He
is followed by Speelman, Lein,
and Makarychev, all with \$4
points. But Speelman should come
up to second place alone when his
adjourned game against Raicevic
is tipished; it looks a certain
draw. draw. Liberzon attacked Andersson

strongly from the start in round seven, but the tournament leader met that attack steadily, and went over to the counter attack in the over to the counter attack in the middle game. An extraordinary position was reached in which Andersson had a queen for three minor pieces, and a draw was agreed after 35 moves.

Atakarychev chased Mestel's king into the open, and the former British champion resigned on the twenty-eighth move when on the twenty-eighth move when mate was inevitable. Leln soon established a winning position

Central Belfast

shaken by

bomb attack

Explosions shook central Bel-

think the motive was sectarian.

The man from the Ardoyne

area, had been beaten to death

on his way home from the city

Against Zilber, who resigned after

against Zilber, who resigned after 31 moves.

Nigel Short, aged 14, very nearly achieved another sensation in the round, since he sacrificed heavily for an attack against the American grandmaster. Christiansen, and at one stage seemed to have winning chances. But he lost his way at the critical moment, and on adjournment appeared to have a lost position. Later he resigned.

Adjourned games results, round Six: Andersson 1. Nunn 1. Sicen 2. Liberzon 2. Specimen 2. Leh 2. Scores at the end of round

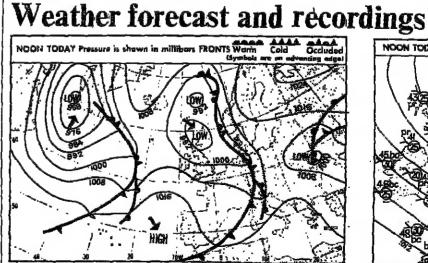
The convocation of London University, which represents all graduates, is to debate on February 9 a motion petitioning the university Senare to rescind the tirle of Emeritus Professor conferred on the former Sir Anthony Blunt on his retirement in 1974 from the posts of director of the Court-auld Institute of Art and Pro-

to bodies tound in raft A rugby shirt and a tin of

rugoy shat and a the conditions could help police to identify the couple found in a liferaft south-west of Land's End on Wednesday.

A post-mortem examination yesterday showed that they had A clue is that the black raft had been serviced at Beauforts, Birkenhead.

is anxious to improve differ-entials to attract skilled workers for its new car pro-



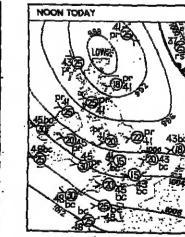
Tomorrow

Sun sets: 4.6 pm Sun rises : 8.6 am - Sun sets : Moon sets: Moon rises: Moon sets: Moon rises:
10.10 am 8.43 pm
Lighting up: 4.37 pm to 7.35 am 9.42 am Last quarter: January 10. Last quarter: January 10.
Lighting up: 4.36 pm to 7.35 am.
High water: London Bridge, 3:29
am. 7.1m: 3.52 pm, 7.2m. Avonmouth, 8.53 am, 13.0m: 9.18 pm,
12.7m. Dover, 12.28 am, 6.6m;
12.41 pm, 6.3m. Hull, 7.59 am,
6.8m; 7.59 pm, 7.0m. Liverpool,
12.47 am, 8.8m; 1.1 pm, 9.0m. High water: London Bridge, 4.4 am. 7.cm; 4.27pm, 7.0m. Avon-mouth. 9.28 am. 12.7m; 9.52 pm, 12.4m. Dover, 1.3 am. 6.5m; 1.16 pm. 6.2m. Hill, 8.33 pm, 6.7m; 8.30 pm, 6.9m. Liverpool. 1.24 am, 8.6m; 1.36pm, 8.8m. 1m=3.2808ft 1ft=0.3048m

A low will move SE across NE Scotland Porecasts for 6 am to midnight: SW and NW Scotland: Rather cloudy, bright intervals, showers or longer outbreaks of rain, sleet Forecasts for 6 am to midnight;
London, East Anglia, Midlands,
E, SE, SW, central N and central
S England, S Wales, Channel
Islands: Sunny intervals and scattered showers, some heavy, dying
out: wind NW, moderate or
fresh; max temp 5° to 7°C (41°
to 45°F).
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NW England, N Wales, N tre-tand, Isle of Man: Sunny Inter-vals and showers, some heavy, snow on hills: wind NW, tresh or strong, gales in exposed places; max term 5°C (41°F).

Lake District, Borders, NE England, Edinburgh, Dundee, Glasgow, Argyll, central Highlands, WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain'; 5. sim ; sn, snow.



rain spreading to SW; rather cold, with overnight frost, Sea passages: S North Sea. Strait of Dover: Wind W to SW, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough

English Channel (E). St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind W to NW, strong to gale; sea

Yesterday

8.43 pm

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 11°C (52°F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 8°C (46°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 72 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, 0.13in. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 3.1hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1.004.9 millibars rising. 1,004.9 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars = 29.53in.



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Executives of the association have asked Mr Sirs to intervene in cases where picketing is taking place at local level. The National Association of Steel Street Street South Yorkshire divisional strike committee of the Iron more than double that amount. and the management decided to halt production. Steel Stockholders yesterday wrote to Mr Sirs emphasizing that it was essential that the The 420 workers will be kept Mr Edward Thorne, secretary of the strike committee, said that picketing was being extended and if the committee on for maintenance and stockstockholders were able to maintaking work but layoffs could tain their normal pattern of follow next week. deliveries.

they were being logged and account for about a quarter of said "retribution will come". the United Kingdom's steel

The strike also led to 100 employees of York Trailer (Tees) being given notice of layoffs yesterday at the com-pany's Northalierton plant in

North Yorkshire.

E8m EEC grant: The EEC aunounced yesterday it would give Britain about £3m to help workers affected by closures or North Yorkshire. short-time working at steel Extension of the picketing to plants (Reuter reports from private sector companies, who Brussels).

mye a lost position. Later he resigned.

Results in round seven were:

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Today

fast last night in the first bomb attack on the district this year. A number of premises in Donegall Street were attacked. Two buildings were set on fire. Earlier an RUC officer was injured in a shooting incident in the Antrim Road area. In another incident, a Roman Catholic man aged 21 was found dead in a derelict garage in Shankill Road, Belfast, Police

The motion is to be proposed by Professor P. A. Lindsay, Professor of Physical Electro-nics at King's College.

Move to rescind academic title of Professor Blunt By a Staff Reporter

fessor of History of Art at the university.

or snow, chiefly on hills, some moderate falls; wind NW, strong to gale. Max. temp 4° or 5°C (39° to 41°F). Moray Firth, Aberdeen. NE Scotland: Mostly cloudy, rain or sleet. snow on hills; wind SW, veering NW. fresh: Max temp 3° or 4°C (37° to 39°F).

Orkney, Shetland: Mostly cloudy, rain or sleet, snow on hills; wind S, moderate or fresh, backing E: max temp 3°C (37°F).
Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Sunny intercals and winter day: Sunny intervals and wintry showers, especially in N and E,



He said that government plans

on degree courses.

The proportion of 18-year-olds

going into higher education had dropped from 14.2 to 11.8 per

cent over the past seven years, he said in a speech on the final day of the North of England

conference on education in

The most probable explana-

good an opportunity as at present, be added. Places in non-advanced further education, which had increased by 60 per cant since 1971, were to be allowed to increase still further trades.

under Government spending

increase the need for a rational-isation of provision between the

university and the maintained further and higher education actors, he said. Each sector hould concentrate on its existing strengths. In the universities

ties that would mean a "re-newed amphasis on academic

objectives."
Turning to the curriculum in schools, Mr Carlisle said that we cannot afford to maintain the status quo." The Government, in conjunction with its partners in the education services would have to work out.

vice, would have to work out what would constitute a realistic and responsible policy in the light of national and local

Economic constraints would

The most probable explanation was that many able youngsters with O and A level qualifications had been going straight into jobs in industry and commerce. "This does not seem to me necessarily a bad thing", Mr Carlisle said. "I believe that school-leavers who want to go into higher education will continue to have as good an opportunity as at in better for the better for the Bernauer of the bundness had and the base of district of the better for the be Production of the land of the Dr. m.) dh Isk

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needs ".

(On Tuesday the Government will publish its views on a national framework for the curriculum in schools and a discussion paper on the curriculum, drawn up by the Schools languages. Inspectorate.)
Mr Carlisle was at pains to is (Mg emphasize that the Government was not seeking to dictate in detail what must be taught in 17.7 m 6.80 in schools. He believed that the Education Act, 1944, was right in giving control of the curri $a = T_1 T_2^2 + 1$

cultum to the local authorities, and that they were right in delegating much of that respon-sibility to individual schools and their teachers. Nevertheless, the Government

had a duty to satisfy itself that national needs. It believed, for example, that all pupils should study mathematics, English, a science, and a modern language up to the age of 16.

manufacturers, show that darts are no longer just a flick of the wrist over a pint.
The television lights, track-suits emblazined with names instead of the traditional pub attire of tarty jezzs, and the sponsorship lend strength to the boast of Mr Olly Croft, general secretary of the British Darts One of his biggest worries was the serious shortage of teachers of mathematics, the teachers of mathematics, the physical sciences, craft, design and technology, and modern languages, he said. He did not believe there were any quick or easy answers, but he did feel that local authorities could make better use of existing specialist teachers in schools.

Thirty-eight per cent of qualified mathematics teachers, 57 per cent of qualified physics teachers and 30 per cent of qualified chemistry teachers were not teaching their specialist subjects.

Mr Carlisle said he totally rejected the philosophy of despair, which argued that because we could not have more teachers to provide for the kind Organization, that darks are now a recognized and professional

a recognized and professional sport.

The man who put the same on the sports map, Mr Croft has seen dart-playing grow in 10 years to its present quota of 30-odd professionals and semi-professionals, who can earn up to £50,000 a year, the setting up of national teams, world championships and the influx of women.

This was women account for

This year women.

This year women account for a quarter of the entrants, including one of just two professional women players, Miss Jan Dewan, aged 22, of Powys, who started playing when working as a barmaid. "It was something to do before people came in", she says. teachers to provide for the kind of developments that a nationally agreed core curricu-lum would require.

Fire at Uppingham School

Worried associations seek new public image

Certain concerns are common to the professions. The poor level of general education in schools is one confidentiality is another. Social workers Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, denied yesterday that government spending plans would mean fewer opportunities for school-leaver to conductor. and doctors in particular are increasingly worried about misuse of private records and the wider accessibility that computerization will bring.

for school-leavers to study for degrees in universities and poly-There is also general concern that, prompted by politi-cians and the communications media, the public is becoming less inclined to accept profes-sional judgments and increasfor the next few years provided only for a maintenance of the present number of places in higher education for home students at a time when the size of the 18-year-old age group ingly taking recourse to litiga-tion against professional practitioners.

That may not be a bad thing. was continuing to increase, but pointed out that fewer school-leavers were wanting to embark There has long been concern about how far professional associations such as the Law Society, with their function of protecting their members' interests, can adequately fulfil their other role of following up the public's complaints and censuring misconduct.

However, many professional people are worried about the effect of public mistrust, Mr Dennis Walker, a former presioften vexatious litigation by

The state of the professions-4: Growing concern about mistrust

The British Medical Association is worried about the recent decision to allow the Health Services Ombudsman to investigate clinical decisions.

The BMA naturally welcomes Lord Denning's recent confederation of British profesjudgment in which he found an obstetrician not liable for the brain damage suffered by a baby he had delivered, that A group of independent in a professional man an error of judgment was not negli-

be overruled.

Perhaps 'the greatest common concern among the pro-fessions is the sense that they lack a strong collective voice with which to speak to the Government.
The point was clearly made

in a letter to *The Times* in March, 1977, when the heads of 11 professional institutions

process of consultation".

An attempt to form the professions into a more effective lobby was first made in 1976. Lord Hailsham of St Maryle-bone asked: "If there can be a Confederation of British In-

associations that were regisof judgment was not negli-tered as trade unions, includ-gence. But it is concerned that, ing the BMA, the United Kinglike other recent judgments by dom Association of Profes-the Master of the Rolls, it may sional Engineers, and the Asso-Polytechnic ciation of Polytectinic Teachers, formed the Mana-gerial and Professional Staff Liaison Group after they had unsuccessfully made individual representations to the Govern-

ment about pay and taxation. The group, which comprises 17 professional associations. March, 1977, when the heads with a further 13 as observers, of 11 professional institutions has not yet scored any big sucattributed the suffering of the cesses in influencing Govern-

dent of the Incorporated Asso-ciation of Architects and Sur-veyors, regards the main threat to members' livelihoods as coming from increasing and views of workers who did not belong to trade unions.

Dr Maurice Gillibrand, chairman of the group, says, that the present Government is tak-ing more notice of its views Although he hopes that with

single common voice the professions may make more impact on the Government, Dr Gillibrand has been most struck since he became chairman by the low esteem in which the professions are held in Britain compare with their status on the Continent. The group is affiliated to the

European Confederation des Cadres. When the confederation met in Rome recently. delegates had an audience with the Pope and a reception with the President of Italy.
"In Britain, people repre-senting the professions and management are lucky to see a junior minister", Dr Gillibrand

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Farming 'quango' given reprieve

By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent
A farming "quango" which
costs £2m a year has been
reprieved by she Government
But it will have to accept changes in structure before it

gets more money. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said yesterday that a new executive board for the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Cooperation had been recom-mended by two independent marketing advisers

One of the advisers was Mr

John Cross, a member of the council and chairman of one of the most successful farm cooperatives in Britain.

2,000 aim for

With 150 darsboards lined up side by side and a 50ft long bar stocked with 20,000 pints of

beer, the old and new Royal Horticultural Halls in London

a £60,000

bullseve

the improvements we so much need in agricultural market-ing", Mr Walker said at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, Gloucestershire. The council was founded by the Labour government in 1967. It advises ministers about policy on farm cooperatives, which have grown much more slowly in Britain than elsewhere in Europe.

Mr Walker said that some of the principles that had helped cooperatives to succeed abroad had not yet been tried in Britain. The council would use its new budget, which would last for three years, to investigate vegetables, livestock and apples.

"In their judgment this is Prices claim: Price rises on the right vehicle for achieving foods in surplus will be curbed when EEC farm ministers meet in the spring, Mr Richard Butler, president of the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, said vesterday.

Acceptance of such a curb

would be the only concession offered by British farmers to critics of EEC farm policy, he said at a union meeting As long as inflation persists there will be a continuing need to increase our prices to meet increased costs", he said. * Adjusting prices to meet higher costs cannot be a oncea-year exercise. It is now a con-tinuing process."



Horricultural Halls in London were turned yesterday into two vest public houses for the start of the sixth British open darts championships.

A record 2,000 competitors, most from Britain and some from 12 other countries, have gathered for three days to try their hand at what is one of Britain's most popular pastimes, with an estimated five million regular players. regular players.

With the lure of prize money totalling £60,000, the championships, sponsored by Watneys and My Dear the sports south

> An eye for the bull'seye : Maureen Flowers, favourite to win the ladies' championship, getting in some practice yesterday.

Playing with the locals led to playing for Wales, and from there to world championships.
This year she hopes to reap
£20,000-£25,000
For the men finalists over

the weekend there is a £50,000 jackpot for the first to achieve a total of 501 in pine darts, the minimum possible, and never achieved in a televised com-petition. The world record stands at 10 darts. But those not in the top

league can take comfort from the fact that anyone making the top 64 places wins either £10 or £15, and for the rest there is

elways the beer.

Darts may be getting more professional, but pub darts will always survive, Mr Croft says. "Pubs and darts go together Everyone here has started in a pub, and if you go out now into the street, pubs and clubs are the only places you can get a

Advertisers 'rooked' union man tells jury From Our Correspondent

Nottingham day after their ship was in collision with an Italian ship in fog in the North Sea and caught fire, a rescue official A shop steward who said be secretly provided evidence against his employer told a jury at Nottingham Crown Court yesterday that he was alarmed by what had been going on in

is company.

Mr Gordon Bramwell, printer for the Nottingham Observer and the Tatler and Bystander magazine for 10 years, said that advertisers were being "rooked".

Mr Bramwell, who was shop steward for the National Graphical Association, said that finally he sent evidence, including photographs, of false circulation figures to his solicitor. The police interviewed Guy Alexander Wayre, aged 71, the managing director, of Colston Bassett Hall, near Nottingham.

Wayte and three other men have pleaded not guilty to conspiracy to defraud adver-tisers by falsely inflating the circulation figures for the two

magazines. The other accused are: Michael James Campbell, aged 44, deputy managing director, of The Park, Nottingham; Arthur Cyril Dewey, aged 54, the company's chartered ac-coumant, of Victoria Road, West Bridglord, Nottingtram, and Leonard Albert Sutton, aged 57, printing foreman, of Park Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire.

Leicestershire.
Mr Brian Appleby, QC, for the prosecution, said that the alleged fraud, which took place between January 1, 1969, and January 31, 1977, also concerned leaflets poid for by charity organizations like Cancer Relief, which were to be inserted in the magazines.
Since 1973 thousands of leaf-

not enough magazines were being printed to include them all. The unused leaflets were cut up and sold as scrap to a waste paper firm, counsel added. Mr Bramwell said that 25,000 leaflets were scrapped in Japu-ary. 1974, and about 30,000 in December, 1975. He added: "I was the NGA shop steward I thought from the chaps' welfare point of view that this situation

ought to be looked into." Mr Wayte, who represented himself, accused Mr Bramwell of spreading an evil influence in the works. He said that Mr Bramwell's continual union disruptions turned a profitable company into a financial loss. Mr Bramwell, in evidence, denied those allegations.

The trial continues on Mon-day.

London Transport has been informed", Sir Horace said.

served free gourmet meals by uniformed waiters at LT head-

quarters, at a cost of £20 to

£30 a meal.

Mr Chapman concluded that up to £50m a year could be saved by eliminating waste.

extravagance and over-manning.

drive brothers out of business Siderno, Italy, Jan 4.-Two

Channel.

brothers who have both had children kidnapped in recent years closed their small building company today because of

was kidnapped in June 1977 but was freed by police before any ransom was paid. Last August his brother Giuseppe's daughter was snatched and released two months later after a ransom of about L500m (about £284,000). The brothers said they would return to their native Naples, adding: "We have no money left to carry on. We will never ser foot here again."—Reuter. available, as well as 164 management cars. Senior execu-

ransom payments. Signor Mario Matarazzi's son from the executive of London Transport. The chairman of In his report Mr Chapman claimed that senior managers had 26 chauffeur-driven cars

hospital The Italian ship is listed as ferry. It is thought it may have been bound for a Bremen

A helicopter and at least three West German vessels answered distress calls and French radioactive waste

pipe springs a leak Paris, Jan 4

A leak has been discovered

other crew

Buenos Aires II (10,076 tons) were missing. "Several crew remained on board to help fight the fire," the official said, "It is largely under com-

trol after damaging the stern

the slightly increased levels of

radioactivity discovered in Moulinets cove, under which

the pipe is laid.

The leak was discovered

during a routine test on Wednesday of the seaweeds

planted in the cove to monitor

the level since the test was last carried out in September.

The prefecture at Saint Lo

issued a reassuring statement last night, saying that the increased radioactivity levels were "well below all permitted norms". There had been

no need to implement the decailed emergency plan which has been worked out for isolat-

Two

From Ian Murray

WEST EUROPE

RIPARIA

ing the erea in the event of significant leak.
The recreament centre of La in the pipe which carries weak Hague has been the target of radioactive waste out to sea considerable agitation by considerable agitation by environmental groups as well from the nuclear retreatment centre of La Hague on the as political parties and trade unions, which claim the area Cotentin peninsula in Nor-mandy. Use of the pipe has has been stopped while repairs are carried out, but the French is being turned into the world's auclear dustbin. Commacts were signed in 1977 to creat 1,800 tonnes of West German waste, 1,600 tonnes authorities say that there is nevertheless no danger from

The shattered bow of the Italian ferry after the night collision in fog

lightship.

crew of an Argentine cargo the Italian ship, the Dorn vessel were rescued early to-day after their ship was in collision with an Italian ship in fog in the North Sea and caught fire, a rescue official miles northwest of the Weser the collision five miles northwest of the Weser the crew of the said the entire crew of the district crew of the said the entire crew of the said the entire crew of the district crew of the said the entire crew of the said the entire crew of the said the entire crew of the Italian ship, the Dorn counted for. Both vessels were collision with an Italian ship was in counted for Both vessels were collision with an Italian ship was in counted for Both vessels were collision with an Italian ship was in counted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision five miles northwest of the Weser was accounted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision five miles northwest of the Weser was accounted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision with an Italian ship was in counted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision with an Italian ship was in counter the collision with an Italian ship was accounted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision was accounted for Both vessels were wedged together more than six hours after the collision with an Italian ship was accounted to the collision with an Italian ship was accounted to the collision with an Italian ship was accounted to the collision was accounted to the coll

Two missing after ships collide

He said the entire crew of

"The weather was not bad by local standards, but fog in the area may bave comributed to the accident", the rescue official said.

workload the capacity of the plant is being doubled by 1984 and a second plant is being Opposition to the centre has attracted large enery demon-strations on the two occasions that the British nuclear carrier radioactivity levels through their ability to concentrate radio elements. This test showed a marked increase in

from Japan and 625 tonnes from Sweden. To meet this

Pacific Fisher has arrived in Cherbourg with a cargo from Japan.
The retreatment contracts
The buildcarried out in September.

A dye was added to the water being pumped from the centre yesterday and with its help it was possible to localize the leak along the 4-kilometre (just under two and a half miles) underwater length of it. The engineers say they do not know exactly when the pipe sprang a leak, although it is thought more than likely to have occurred during the recent violent storms in the Channel. are very profitable. The build-up to full capacity of the centre means that from 1982 one trainload of waste will be arriving there each day—to the satisfaction of the French Government and the alarm of the environ-

mentalists who predict that by the law of averages an accident in transport is inevitable. Trials on the new nuclear power station at Gravelines, near Dunkirk, have shown up a fault in a valve on the cooling system which may delay the planned opening of this station and two others at Dampierre and Tricastin. The valve, which is designed to protect a series of circuits from overloading has shown on occasion that it does

not close when necessary.

by reports that some crew had taken to lifeboats. The Argentine crew brought

rescue crew and to fight the blaze. They were alerted by radio calls from both ships and

ashore were in generally good condition, although one, with a broken arm, was taken to

shipyard for repairs.

Censorship arrest in East Berlin Berlin, Jan 4.—East German

police have made their first arrest under new censorship West Berlin sources said today.
They said Herr Manfred
Bartz, the 45-year-old author,
was seized at his East Berlin flat on November 3 and charged with distributing unpublished texts which criticized the state and contained information in breach of secrecy laws.

Under the new laws, distri bution of texts deemed to "harm the state order" or scorn the communist system. carry a three-year jail sentence. Some sections of the August law reforms appeared to be aimed chiefly at silencing East Germany's increasingly

Herr Bartz previously wrote satirical scripts for an Berlin review and contributed to newspapers and television. Party and Writers' Union in the mid-seventies he could no longer get his works printed and had to do part-time manual The sources said be was still

being interrogated and had not yet come before a court.

Italy on strike

Rome, Jan 4.—A general strike has been called by the Italian Trade Union Federation for January 15 after a break-down in talks with the Government on pay and economic

Ransom demands Anti-immigrant poster puts campaigner in court

racial discrimination group, MRAP (Mouvement contre le racisme, l'antisemitisme et pour discus la paix), reported the poster to said.

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Jan 4

M Jean-Marie Le Pen, the citing discrimination against president of the French National Front, has been charged with incitement to penalty of between a month and charged with incitement to racial discrimination as a result of a poster campaign last spring mounted by his party.

The poster carried the slogan:

"One million unemployed is a million immigrants too many.

The proper many the Brench must to he reformed "To establish France and the French must to be reformed. "To establish come first." The national anti- a correlation between unemployment and immigration is a political idea that should be discussed, not forbidden , he

the authorities who have Immigration had been a decided to prosecute under a serious political mistake, he 1972 amendment to the law on claimed. Humane repatriation

Clean up for Eiffel Tower under new management

From Our Own Correspondent them together in what is hoped to be a more accelerate Since the turn of the year

autumn between the City of Paris and the company founded by Gustave Eiffel to build the tower in . 1880, control. of the tallest flegpole in the world." is now in the hands of Sagi, the holding company for Paris Municipal Properties.

Over the next two years the tower is to be given a new look, in keeping with the aim of M Jacques Chirac, the Mayor of Paris, to make it "the ambassador" of Paris among foreign visitors.

Part of the face lift of the tower will include pulling down the many little souvenir bou-

Generally the tower is to be the Eiffel tower has been under new management. After an the next two years—which is involved power struggle last the time limit set by M Chirac for the transformation process. It was his belief that this kind of work needed doing that led him to take over control

The former controlling company had its concession to operate the tower renewed 30 years ago by the city, which owns it. But as the concession came up once more for renewal a furious argument broke out between the city and the com-Dany.

According to the city not enough modey was being spent on bringing the tower up to date. According to the company its overneads, including dues to

Bomb at police barracks ends Basque 'truce'

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Jan 4

Two workmen were injured, one seriously, when a bomb exploded today on the building site of a new police barrack: in Anglet in the French Basque region of the Pyrénees Atlantiques. The bomb is the first attack

in the region for three months, and ends one of the longest "truces" for some time. It is also the first time that people have been injured in an attack on a government building. The barracks is being built

to house police reinforcement that were sent to the area after the under-prefecture in Bayonne was attacked Responsibility for

attack has been claimed by the tiques which tend to cluster the the city, were so high there was different floors, and to group no money left for modernization. Iparreturrak

It was the third fire in three Archbishop and bishop plead

From Our Correspondent

for Bangladeshi A Bangladeshi man deported from Britain on Monday should be allowed to return as soon as possible, the Bishop of Liverpossible, the Bishop of Liverpool, the Right Rev David
Sheppard, and the Roman
Catholic Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Rev Derek
Worlock, said yesterday.
The appeal by Mr Gias
Uddin, aged 19, to be readmitted to Britain should be ted to Britain should be examined carefully and expe-ditiously so that he could return as soon as possible to his family and friends, they

said in a statement. The Home Office said he was an illegal immigrant and not the man he claimed to be.

does £50,000 damage years at the school, which was founded in 1584 by a charter from Queen Elizabeth I. The other two were started deliberately. Forensic scientists

Leicester

Fire swept through a boarding house at a public school near Leicester early yesterday, causing considerable damage.

Mr Coll Macdonald, headmaster of Uppingham co-educational school, said: "The fire has gutted both floors of The Hall, and the damage could total between £50,000 and £100,000.

"Fortunately the staff and are not sure of the cause of the latest blaze. The fire was discovered by two teenagers at 1 am. They are William Jolley, of Glaston Road, Uppingham, and Lloyd Richardson, from Mablethorpe, total between £50,000 and £100,000.

"Fortunately the staff and the 50 boys who are usually in the building were not there because of the Christmas holibecause of the Christmas holibel, who once field the world land speed record.

Richardson, from Manietdorpe, a former pupil of the school include the former England cricket captain, A. P. F. Chapman, and Sir Malcolm Campbell, who once field the world land speed record.

Delay on housing cash allocations worries councils

By Our Local Government Correspondent
The Association of District
Councils has asked for an
urgent meeting with Mr Michael
Heseltine, Secretary of State
for the Environment, because of the Government's delay in tell-ing local authorities details of housing capital allocations for

the next year. In a letter to Mr Heseltine yesterday, Mr Ian McCallum, chairman of the association, said that authorities must know now where they stood for the next financial year. "Otherwise programmes will be disrupted and the efficient use of available resources severely im-peded."

In brief

Murder of young woman denied

Albert Edward Stanley, aged Aftert Edward Stanley, aged 28, accused of the murder of Johanna Harriman, aged 22, whose body was found in a seaside churchyard, was remanded in custody for a week by magistrates at Worthing, Sussex, yesterday. Mr Stanley lives at Children Coccant. Durington Chiltern Crescent, Durrington, near Worthing.

Mr Howard Johnson, for the defence, asked that reporting restrictions should be lifted. He said: "This defendant strongly denies any part whatsoever in connexion with the murder of this girl. With the full press publicity, with the full press available who will help the defendant in connexion with his defence to this charge."

1975 murder alleged

Leonard Thompson, aged 41, unemployed, of Mount Pleasant Farm, Southend Arterial Road, Upminster, London, was remanded in custody until next Thursday at Bow Street Magistrates' Court today accused of murdering George Alfred Thomas Brett on or about January 4, 1975.

Decree for Lady Ednam

Lady Ednam, second wife of the Earl of Dudley's heir, was

granted a decree misi in the

London Divorce Court vester-

day. She cited unreasonable behaviour by her husband,

aged 32, whom she married in 1976.

London Transport is asked to explain 'high living' when the auditors' further report is received it must be accompanied by explanations

By Christopher Warman The London Transport Executive is to be asked for an ex-planation after allegations of high living and waste made against senior managers, Sir Horace Cutler, leader of the Greater London Council, said

The allegations were made by Mr Leslie Chapman, a former civil servant appointed by the GLC as a part-time member of the executive a year ago. They have already been the subject of an auditors' investigation. Sir Horace said the auditors required more time, and had been given until the end of

January picture ". "to present a clear picture".

"The GLC has provided London
"The work already carried out is enough to indicate that to help to keep fares down.

Clerk stole for the IRA Dennis Bradley, aged 26, who admitted stealing £40,000 from the Post Office and passing it on to the IRA was jailed at the Central Criminal Court yesterday for five years. public house lavatory. Mr Bradley, a Post Office accounts clerk, claimed in an

Mr Hugh Torrance, for the prosecution, said that Mr Bradley, whose brother is a jailed IRA murderer, had added: "I gave them at the most £3,000 and at the least £1,000 each time." Counsel added that Mr

that two IRA men put pressure

on him to take the money.

Bradley, of Somers Road, Walthamstow, London had said he was approached by the two men in a north London "One of them said they wanted money and gave me a couple of digs in the stomach. I was so worried about what alleged statement to the police they would do to me or my

family, I made no attempt to follow them." For nearly a year afterwards, Mr Torrance added, Mr Bradley, who was born in Londonderry, took money from his employers by inflating pen-sion claims. Later he disap-

Indian poll protest: Angry Harijans,

formerly known as Untouchables, dis-

play their ballot papers in Baghpat,

Uttar Pradesh, claiming they had been

prevented physically from voting by

Hoya, Rhodesia, Jan 4

quietly announced: Shiri is coming in."

Major Christopher Le Hardy of the Royal Hussars was just sitting down for a much-needed

cup of tea when Corporal Walker came over to him and

"That's great news", exclaimed the Major, red-faced from two weeks in the heat of the Zambezi valley, only 20 miles from the Mozambique border. "Shiri is one of the

most important Patriotic Front commanders in the Hurricane

operational area and he has got about 700 men under his

News of Shiri's impending arrival came only hours before the deadline for implementing

the ceasefire accord reached at the Lancaster House conference

was due to expire. If he and his

men arrived at one of the two

rendezvous points in the cease-fire area that Major Le Hardy

is responsible for monitoring, it would mean that most of the

guerrillas in that area had beeded the ceasefire call,

Zimbabwe African National Liberation Army (Zanla) had gathered at the assembly area

Major Le Hardy and his

ade his followers to stop fighting and report to the rendez-

"Just to illustrate the sort

of problem the Patriotic Front has to deal with ". Major Le Hardy said, "Shiri told me it

would take 14 days to march

from one side of the area under his command to the

other. Yet the guerrillas were

given only seven days to report here or at our two rendezvous

points. In fact when I first met

Shiri he only had a vague idea of what was involved in the

ceasefire arrangements, which goes to show how difficult it is

to get word to men scattered around the bush."

Major Le Hardy, and other

officers in the ceasefire force, felt that more time should have

been allowed for guerrillas to

codenamed "Alpha".

vous points.

Time factor seen as main obstacle

flew to Moscow today for a "cordial and comradely" talk with Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, before going to New York to attend the "The purpose of the inection denigrate Afghanistan's peace-ful foreign policy and undermine Soviet-Afghan friendship. Security Council meeting on Afghanistan, called by Britain

declared before he left Kabul that his country strongly opposed any discussion of the Afghan question which, he said, did not exist.

people welcomed the Soviet assistance. To distort this fact er misinterpret Afghan policy constituted in itself interference in Afghanistan's internal

the Security Council meeting, and said the Americans had only been able to arrange it by putting pressure on small countries and collecting signa-tures from their military allies and dictatorships such as those in Chile, Hairi and Honduras. Tass news agency said the letter was also signed by China,

Delhi, Jan 4 The Afghan official smiled

spondents arriving at Kabul airport and said: "Welcome

Afghanistan. Which hotel

Out on the airstrip behind

Soviet armoured personnel carriers and tanks manoeuvred

freely near the Aeroflot Tupolev

President and brought Soviet

troops flooding into the capital.

It is plain that events have stunned most Afghans and put

them under strain in dealing with foreigners. In the 24 hours

arrest in the city's Jutercontin-

ental Hotel and at the airport,

they were clearly embarrassed

EEC thinks

to invasion

Talks on the European Com-

not gone beyond the stage of

in three African countries-the

operation aimed at propping up

Contrary to earlier reports no

Boycott opposed : M Jean-Pierre

Soisson, the Minister for Youth.

Islamabad, Jan 4

General Mobutu's regime.

From Michael Hornsby

between member states.

Brussels, Jan 4

the Afghan capital.

The Afghan Foreign Minister sixteenth member of Nato.

It was also intended to divert international attention from the aggressive actions against other countries by the United States and its allies.

and its allies.

Meanwhile Mr Babrak
Karmal, the Afghan leader,
brought to power by the Sovietbacked coup, made his first
public appearance in Kabul today and thanked the Russians for their military aid, which he said was "fully in keeping with the will of the Afghan people".

At a press conference, attended exclusively by East European and local journalists and reported today by Tass, Mr Karmal said Soviet foreign policy was based on peaceful co-existence and equal coopera-tion with other states.

"Soviet-Afghan relations are a vivid example of relations of

the new type among equal and independent states", he said. " propaganda bulabalioo

which recently invaded Vietnam raised by imperialist circles* against the alleged interference of the USSR in Afghanistan's affairs was a "premeditated pro-vocation, an obvious lie." The United States was searching for an excuse for its own defeat.

President Carter had declared that Amin was the lawful President of Afghanistan. But, Mr Karmal argued, it was known that former President Tarakki had been elected president by the people, and Tarakki was killed by "murderer Amin".

"It can be asked if the person who killed the head of state elected by the people can be a 'legal' President?" he said. Both Tass and the Afghan news agency said after Mr Tarakki's overthrow that he had been suffering for some days from an "incurable disease"

which had killed him.
UN objection: Mr Shah
Mohammad Dost, wrote to the President of the Security Council today urging him to prevent discussion of his country's affairs by the council.

The request for the meeting was made last night by 43 council members, mainly from Western and Muslim countries.

Later, Khomeini supporters tried to stage a retaliatory raid on the home of Ayatollah Shariat-Madari. The two sides exchanged volleys of stones and bricks in the narrow alleys leading to the Ayatollah's house but the police kept them apart. At least 10 people were treated for injuries received in the clashes. Many more were on the streets with cuts and head injuries. head injuries.

Qom's main shrine was closed. Ayatollah Khomeini ordered shops to shut and Revolutionary Guards sealed off streets and blocked the main bridge into the centre of the

OVERSEAS

Street riots

Ayatollahs'

Qom, Iran, Jan 4.-Street:

riots broke out in Qum, the Muslim religious centre, today, and Revolutionary Guards used

tear gas to prevent rival demonstrators from attacking the homes of rival religious leaders.

Clashes occurred this morn-

Clashes occurred this morning and despite appeals for calm from both Ayatollah Khomeini and Ayatollah Kazem Shariat-Madari, the leader of the Turkish-speaking Azer-baijanis, there was further-rioting in the afternoon.

Security forces sealed streets round the home of Ayatollah Khomeini, fired in the air and

launched tear gas grenades to

push back an advancing crowd

of Azerbaijanis armed with staves and iron bars, who have converged on Qom in recent

days. Later, Khomeini supporters

followers

by rival

Azerbaijanis smashed shop windows and burnt rub-bish, shouting slogans against Iran's new Islamic constitution, which gives sweeping powers to Ayatollah Khomeini. They claimed that their leader was a prisoner in his own home.

The pro-Khomeini militants distributed leaflets alleging that Ayatollah Shariat-Madari was an agent of the former Shah's secret police Savak and the United States Central Intelligence Agency. As they marched on his house earlier, they chanted that it was a most of spies", like the occupied United States

Embassy in Tehran.
In Tabriz, the capital of Azerbaijan, supporters of Ayatollah Shariat-Madari today burnt photographs of Ayatollah Khomeini after occupying the Tabriz broadcasting centre.— Reuter and Agence France-

Demands for envoy: The State Department said in Washington that Mr Bruce Laingen, the American charge d'affaires in Tehran, was still at the Iranian Foreign Ministry today despite demands by students to transfer him to the occupied United States Embassy for questioning.
There were also reports of students' demands that Air Force Lieutenant-Colonel David

Roeder, held at the embassy should be tried for bombing Vietnam during the Vietnam war.—Reuter.
Waldheim failure: Dr Kurt
Waldheim the United Nations
Secretary-General left Tehran

In an interview in Zurich on his way to New York, Dr Waldheim said he believed his mission had been worthwhile. "I think it helped a lot be cause it has given me a much clearer picture of what is going on in Iran", he told ABC Tele-vision. He had discussed several ideas for solving the crisis with Iran's revolutionary leaders, but he gave no details.

Asked by reporters whether ne met Avatollah Khomeini Dr Waldheim replied: "No." Asked then whether he regretted this he answered "No, I do not", but declined to expand.-Reuter and AP.

Reformed Black Panther to work for community

Oakland, California, Jan 4.— Eldridge Cleaver, the former Black Panther leader, was sentenced here yesterday to up to five years' probation and 2,000 hours' community work for his involvement in a 1968 gun-battle with Oakland police.

Judge Winton McKibben, of the Superior Court, told Mr Cleaver that his probation would end when his community service was completed. " I feel you have changed for the better." The gun battle, in which hun-

the past few months, most of

congregate. However, Lord Soames, the Governer, has ruled that tonight's midnight deadline had to be kept. dreds of shots were exchanged by Black Panthers and police, The main problem has been overcoming guerrilla suspicions occurred in Oakland in 1968. that the ceasefire was a trap to Mr Cleaver was arrested but later jumped bail, fled to Cuba lure them to areas where they would be easy targets for the to seek political asylum, then Rhodesian security forces. went on to Algeria and arrived illegally in France in 1972.—

"It takes time to gain their safe passage.

President Nimeiry of Sudan who was chairman of the OAU at the time, accused Tanzania ne fleeing Amin troops.

Sudan is willing to cooperate and installing a new Governn securing the return of vehiment of its own choice, He also accused the Tanzanians of

> the main supporters of Amin. The Ugandan Government of President Binaisa found it difficult to restore relations with Sudan while Tanzanian troops,

still hostile to Sudan, were stationed along the border.

Guerrilla fears delay From Christopher Walker assembly in Rhodesia Jerusalem, Jan 4

higher caste Hindus in Thursday's

general election. Baghpat is in the con-

stituency of Mr Charan Singh, the care-

taker Prime Minister, and India's Election Commission has ordered an

inquiry into the alleged poll rigging.

A serious political scandal is growing in Israel over the continued refusal of Mr Ariel Sharon, the Agriculture Minister, to comply with Government guidelines on private interests and religiously control. confidence," Major Le Hardy said. "So many things can interests and relinquish control of his large farm in the Negev

commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Les Hubble, of the Australian Army, who is in charge of five assembly areas. He said: "We seem to have run out of time. We know we legal committee headed by a former Tel Aviv judge which found Mr Sharon's ownership will not have all of them in assembly areas or rendezvous points by tonight. It has been of the farm "totally irrecon-cilable" with his holding of partly a communications prob-lem. It is no good a British or Australian soldier going out and

trying to persuade these men to come along. This can only be done by their leaders." Colonel Hubble arrived by helicopter at Alpha assembly area with his Zanla counterpart, known simply as Comrade Mao. They appeared an odd duo—Colonel Hubble with his strong Australian accept and down funds to erect an illuminated security fence around the 875-acre property and of exceeding its allotted water ration by 50 per cent for two successive

Australian accent and down-to-earth views and the Marxist Comrade Mao dressed in camouflage Chinese fatigues and carrying an AK47 auto-But Colonel Hubble said they By mid-day today, 674 guer-rillas, all but one of them members of Mr Robert Mugabe's had established a good working relationship and even exchanged light-hearted political banter at the pub in Bindura where they

A degree of rapport also cems to have been developed between Major Le Hardy and his 16 British soldiers, and the guerrilla leaders at Alpha al-though the guerrillas tend to keep their distance.

stay.

arouse their suspicions."

His feelings about the cease

The Zanla commanders have their own area on one side of the monitoring force and the lone Zipra man has a tent on the other side.

Neither the British nor the guerrillas have sufficient trust in each other to leave behind their arms when they visit one another. The Zanla deputations that regularly troop over to talk with Major Le Hardy are always armed with their Ak37s or other Soviet-made automatics and the British have their FNs and Stirlings close to hand.

What happens after tonight's deadline expires? According to Colonel Hubble, the Common-wealth monitoring force in his area will continue to welcome late arrivals for a while. "You can't just cut them off at mid-night", he said. If a group of guerrillas is moving in a peace-ful and orderly fashion towards a rendezvous point or assembly area then they will be given a

safe passage." However, a black member of Rhodesian forces nearby said; Tomorrow we have been told to carry out a sweep of any remaining guerrillas in the surrounding areas." There seemed little intention on his

Defiant Israel minister holds on to his land

.The matter is likely to cometo a head later this month when the Cabinet is due to discuss the recent findings of a

the agriculture portfolio. As public criticism of Mr Sharon's behaviour has mounted this week, he has also been accused of misusing state

A former Israeli military hero, Mr Sharon is one of the most controversial figures in the present Cabinet and a close associate of Mr. Begin, the Prime Minister, who often refers to him as "mon geogral". In addition to his

is also in charge of the Government's expansionist settlement policy in the occupied

Although Mr Sharon's stand over the farm (which is managed by his wife) is known to be disapproved of by virtually every one of his Cabinet colleagues there is no way that he can be dismissed from his post under the present law without bringing about the resignation of the whole Gov-The new guidelines on the

Early reports indicated a clear swing

in favour of Mrs Indira Gandhi's fac-

tion of the Congress Party. More

constituencies will cast their ballots on

Sunday in the two-part elections to the

Lok Sabha, or Lower House.

business incresss of ministers were introduced in October 1977 in recognition of the fact that for the first time in Israel's history, a number of active and wealthy entrepeneurs had been brought into the

All but Mr Sharon agreed to abide by the regulations. These were not regarded as over strict in that they allowed commercial interests to be transferred to next of kin who. in many cases, have been acrively engaged in administering the businesses. It was recognized that a Minister and his or her spouse were one and the same legal personality as far as their material interests

were concerned. Among those who handed over suspissantial commercial holdings were Mr Ezer Weiz-man, the Defence Minister, who was involved in aviation manufacturing, and Mr Yigael Hurvitz, the present Finance Minister, who had a stake in the dairy industry.

Throughout the period that the scandal has been simmer-ing, Mr Sharon has refused point-blank to transfer or sell investors who backed him with large sums would not permit it.

Since he has no adult children, he was not able to take advantage of the 1977 dispensation involving next of kin. His behaviour has led to widespread calls in the Knesset and the Israeli press for him to either hand over the farming

Khmer guerrillas 'retake former strongholds'

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok, Jan 4

Khmer Rouge guerrillas are harassing Vietnamese forces in areas of western Kampuchea from which the guerrillas were driven two months ago, intelligence analysts said today.

Prolonged fighting involving Vietnamese artillery has been going on in hilly terrain around Phnom Malai, south of Aranyaprathet, for the past three days. Khmer Rouge soldiers appeared to have succeeded, at least temporarily, in reoccupying some of their old reoccupying some of their old strongholds in the area.

Sporadic fighting was also reported further south close to a border area where six shells from unidentified mortars exploded on Thai territory earlier this week They caused no casualties. Smallscale clashes casualties. Smallscale classics are also occurring frequently further inside Kampuchea, according to the analysts.

The Thai authorities have now positively identified 400 Vietnamese defectors including

about 50 soldiers who have escaped into Thailand in the past three months. They are being held in a military prison at Aranyaprathet.

Those who have attempted to escape wear heavy leg manacles at all times. Some of the prisoners served with the former South Viemamese army fighting the communists.
Luu Sinh Cuong, aged 27, said

the communists sent him to a re-education camp when they found he had been with the anti-communist army. After four years there he escaped and wearing communist uniform made his way to Thailand "I made it here and now Thailand has put me back in jail", he

said. Le Phi Long, aged 23, who was drafted to fight in Kampuchea last March said that after seeing 200 of the 500 men in his unit killed or wounded, he decided to escape into Thailand. The soldiers said that in Kampuches they received about £1 a month after deductions for food and other supplies.

China agrees to

China has approved the con-struction of a commercial air-port on the Chinese side of the Hongkong border which would operate as a second airport for Hongkong. Endorsement by the British Government is confidently expected.

The airport, which will cost an estimated 2,000m Hongkong dollars (just over E200m), will be partly financed and built by syndicate of Hongkong, American and overseas Chinese entrepreneurs, not yet named.

It is understood that the Chinese and Hongkong Governments will share \$HK1,200m of the total cost of the project which will take five years to complete. The chosen site is on the shoe of Deep Bay, west of the Lown railway border con-nexion between Hongkong and Canton. There will be hydrofoil. helicopter and expressway communications for Hougkong and international passengers to and from the terminal building at

Farewell present from Stalin Did Stalin at the end of the

Second World War try to infiltrare the upper reaches of British diplomacy by planting an agent there? When the wartime British Ambassador in Moscow was transferred in 1946 to Washington, Stalin asked him what he would like as a leaving present. The Ambassador's eccentric request, to be given a Soviet citizen to take away with him, and its extraordinary sequel, provides a story that is stranger than any fiction. In tomorrow's Sunday Times it is told, for the first time, by Frank Giles, the paper's Deputy Editor.

today in accordance with Islamic law after being found guilty of robbery, including stealing from a grocery store

yesterday. Mr Shah Muhammad Dost

He said the entire Afghan

Today the Russians denounced

Kabul rejoiced at Amin execution

nothing. You understand that, don't you?", one Afghan airport offical said plaintively. According to a Western aid worker in Kabul, Afghans had grown increasingly wary of con-tact with foreigners since the beginning of Marxist rule in April, 1978.

would you like to stay in tonight before you are expelled tomorrow? From the background of a steadily growing rebellion by Muslims against the new him as he spoke, two Soviet olive-green helicopters took off and wheeled away over the snow-capped mountains ringing Marxist policies and in a cli-mate of arbitrary arrest and killings, particularly under President Hafizullah Amin, ousted by the coup and executed, there is now no longer close contact between Afghans

154 which had brought us to Kabul from Moscow. The traditionally hospitable people of Afghanistan choose At the same time according to Western sources in Kabul, strong anti-Soviet feeling has their words of welcome to Westerners carefully since the coup on December 27 which installed Mr Babrak Karmel as gradually built up in the capital and unconfirmed reports abound of attacks on Russians in the country. Only last Sunday, according to one such re-port, three Soviet civilian ad-visers were killed, stabbed or

shot, in a Kabul bazaar. However, the sources add that there is nothing short of joy among Afghans at the disappearance of Mr Amin, a hardline leader who in three at having to side-step questions over the political situation in their country.

his rigid pursuit of Marxist policies. Last Friday, the day after the coup, they thronged the streets in "a holiday spirit" when they learned of

spirit" when they learned of Mr Amin's execution.

But though they had grown used to seeing Soviet troops in Kabul in the 20 months of Marxist rule, they were stunned to see the size of the Soviet

military presence. military presence.
One Western diplomat said:
"The streets of the capital
swarmed' with Soviet soldiers
mainly Uabeks, Turkmen and
Tadzhik with Russian officers—
that day. If Karmal could
have overthrown Amin without the Russians he would have been seen as a hero of the people."

Since coming to power, Mr Karmal's speeches published in the Kabul New Times news-paper have emphasized his intention of respecting traditional Muslim practices. Western sources said many Afghans were now hopeful that Mr Karmal would not prove to be the pliant servant of Moscow as he has

been portrayed in the West. Moscow appears to have reduced its military presence on Kabul's streets. The sources say most Soviet troops in the Kabul area are quartered in

months of rule completely the Bala Hissar garrison to the alienated devout Muslims by south of the city.—Reuter.

the ideals of the April revolutroops are playing in propping

up the new regime there. Last week, President Ceau-sescu of Romania, limited his criticism to a vaguer condemnation saying that nations should not interfere in the

mentioning Russia, that failure to show respect for the inde-pendence of other nations might lead to a further worsening of the international situation with consequences no one could foresee. Domination was a

threat to detente, it added. Romania was the only Warsaw Pact country to condemn sharply and explicitly the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968, as well as the Vietnam invasion of Kampuchea. However today's condemnation seemed more muted because of what is seen as Moscow's

Warsaw Pact unable to

Soviety intervention munity's response to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan have the stage of of the "policy of domination" and appealing for an end to

Whatever decision is finally taken, it is likely to represent a lowest common denominator of national attitudes given the markedly different tone of reaction in Community capitals. The French have been involved in military interventions

In between the hardliners' Central African empire, Zaire and Chad, and Belgium too, took part in the 1978 Zaire (Czechoslovakia, East Germany and Bulgaria) prompt support and Romania's outright con-demnation are the Poles and Hungarians who air their disapproval by offering their sup-port rather late. The Warsaw Pact is clearly suffering from the repercussions of an interwithhold food aid from Afghanistan, but a "temporary suspension" will be considered. national act that neither Poland nor Hungary would willingly

By contrast, Poland came out late and obviously rather reluctantly in support of the Soviet invasion. The Hungarian coverage of the Afghan adven-ture has relied mainly on quotes from Soviet press

Sport and Leisure explained in Paris last night that France did not support the idea of a boycott

Afghanistan have strained the unity of the Warsaw Pact. Today, Romania implicitly condemned it by calling for an end violations of national independ-

In fact, yesterday Mr Edward

out response | speak with one voice

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, Jan 4 elgrade, Jan 4 tion", omitting to give express
Disagreements arising from support to the role the Soviet

affairs of others.
Today, the Romanian party
newspaper Scincea said without

increasingly aggressive mood. A sharp condemnation of the invasion of Afghanistan came

Gierek, the Polish party leader, today from Tirana. Albania expressed the hope that accused Moscow of "aggressive Afghanistan would "return to and fascist behaviour".

Pakistan doubts about US arms

many people feel here, have still to be tested, perhaps in the ext 10 days.

There are those who bitterly nur for the Russians to crack

The talk among Pakistanis is

support.
To be found acting as a conduit for western arms would be extremely dangerous for Pakistan. There has undoubtedly been until now connivance by the authorities here. Delhi visit: Lord Carrington, is

angered by the prospect of arms supplies to Islamabad than by the entry of Soviet troops into Afghanistan However, the general belief is that the new Government will be more forthcoming towards the west. There is a possibility of an understanding de-veloping if India and Pakistan

Delhi appears to be more

Uganda mends fences with Sudan From Charles Harrison Mr Alimadi told him that had protested at the Tanzanian Nairobi, Jan 4

Relations between Uganda and Sudan, which were under serious strain when former President Idi Amin's military cles, including buses, lorries, cars and motor cycles which were driven into the Sudan by forces fled north before the advancing Tanzanian troops the fleeing Amin troops. last year, are slowly improving. About 50,000 Ugandans are still in southern Sudan including many notorious members of the Amin forces who are unlikely to seek to return to Uganda. But thousands more

them civilians who fled across the border during the last stages of the war in Uganda. Mr Otema Alimadi, the Ugandan Foreign Minister, has been visiting Sudan to discuss the improvement of relations. He visited Juba, the centre of southern Sudan where he had

return several hundred vehi-

ing their legal ownership is likely to be complicated in many cases.

Mr Alimadi went on to Khartum for talks with Sudanese Government leaders. Uganda is to reopen its embassy in Khartum as part of the process of restoring normal

persecuting Muslims in Uganda because they were regarded as

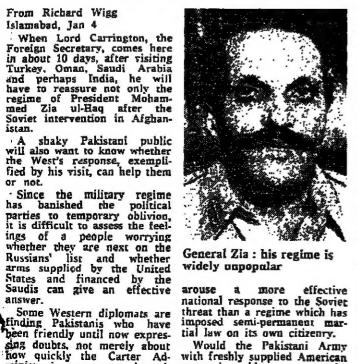
discussions with General Joseph Lagu, the former compala. Mr Ahmadi expressed regret for the damage. It was clear that Sudan was sinmander of the Anyanya forces in the region who is now President of the High Executive gled out for such action by the hold talks together. ... Council of southern Sudan. Tanzanian forces because it shortages in the south.

is that any large-scale delivery of arms reinforces a military regime unpopular with wide sections of Pakistani society. It is not only the supporters of the late Mr Zulfikar Bhutto, the executed former Prime Minister, but also those of almost all the banned political students? parties who feel they could The Soviet Union's real.

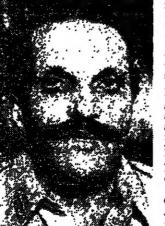
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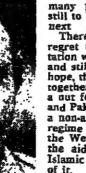
or Soviet weapons.



with tanks and or aircraft, but whether Pakistan is itself in a One problem facing the West



Would the Pakistani Army with freshly supplied American arms be able to stop the Russians if they really have embarked on a "new wave" of less cautious foreign policy, some people are frankly asking here. How would the Army be able to reply if the Soviet Union, antagonized by such rearmament and with Afghanistan subdued in say a year, began to infiltrate Baluchistan, with its already disaffected tribal population, leadership,



prn-Moscow

regret the Americans' confrontation with Iran. They reckoned and still have not given up the hope, that Iran and Afghanistan together would prove too tough and Pakistan could then achieve a non-aligned security. The Zia regime would still far prefer the West to be seen coming to the aid of Pakistan after the

Islamic world and not ahead of cold self-interest. Official rejection of the idea of the Americans' feeding light arms to succour the Afghani tribesmen finds, I think, widespread

expected in Delhi on January 16 or 17. By that time, the new Indian government is likely to be installed (Kuldip Mayar

as well as others in the region

the Ugandan refugees were free to return. He also pressed the Sudanese Government to

in securing the return of vehicles illegally taken out of Uganda but the process of identifying them and establishhave gone back to Uganda over

> The Sudanese Government has complained of looting of its embassy property in Kam-

invasion carried out in defiance of efforts by the Organization of African Unity to bring peace.

Uganda says that all troops have been withdrawn six miles from the border but strict controls are maintained on all traffic moving to and from Sudan. This has cut essential supplies to southern Sudan from the Kenyan seaport of Mombasa. Sudan is anxious to have this route reopened to normal traffic in order, to ease

new airport for Hongkong

Thief loses hand

Jiddah, Jan 4.—A thief here had his right hand cut off

A fortnight today the Royal Shakespeare Company begin a three-month season devoted to the Greeks. The project is on the scale of the Shakespeare cycle, The Wars of the Roses, 16 years ago. This time John Barton has been joined by Kenneth Cavander and together they have adapted ten Greek plays into a three-part cycle, which tells the story of the house of Agamemnon and the Trojan War. Kenneth Cavander here describes how the cycle has come into being and how the Greeks have haunted him all his life.



ciated with them too much, I thought, I would be typecast as a classicist and a translator. I tried to shake them off. And now here was this letter from John Barton, proposing not just one translation of a The last scene single play but an adaptation of upwards of a dozen, telling a story that spanned centuries—acons—of legendary (above) of a performance of history, and including works that had seldom if ever been given a contemporary profes-Agamemnon sional production. There was really no way out. I said yes. I turned to the plays and started to absorb the enormity of the task. First, the story. at Balliol College, Oxford. The story defies synopsis, yet it had to be grasped whole and held in our grip if we were to succeed. Boiled down to its essentials, this is the tale we And "family" were telling.
The time—a legendary past, pre-history. The states of Greece have mobilized an army to attack the city of Troy, far in the east. Troy has brought this war on itself because the king's son, Paris, has abducted a Queen of Greece, Helen. But the Greeks are stuck, their

on the run from the Greeks. Many times I

thought I had escaped, only to

round a corner and come face

round a corner and come face to face with them again, taunting, inviting, challenging.

By the Greeks, I mean the Greek dramatists of the fifth century BC—Aeschylus, Sophoeles, Euripides—their characters.

characters, their stories, the plays thouselves.

3 a writer, and later a

director, in theatre, television and film, I had another life, guite separate from the clas-

sics—or so I tried to presend.
But the Greeks kept following
me. Even when I left England
for the United States I found
mysolf being

myself being lured into new productions of the plays, new translations, new attempts to solve the problems they pose

for a modern audience. But by the late seventies I thought I'd left them behind. After all, it was at least seven years since I'd been rash enough to take on one of the Greek dramas. Surely, they had forgetten

Surely they had forgotten about me. And then the letter

It found me in New York, and it was from John Barton, one of the directors of the

one of the directors of the Royal Shakespeare Company.

"It now looks as if I shall almost certainly do what has long been my great ambition."

John wrote, "namely a cycle of all the Trojan War and House of Atreus plays . . . 9 or 12 plays in all, so the project

will take up either three or four

evenings." He wanted me to translate and co-adapt the texts for a production in 1980 by the Royal Shakespeare Company at the Aldwych Theatre in London. My first impulse was to sun

impulse was to run.

I had not always felt this way. At Oxford, as an undergraduate and a stage-struck writer, I had been grateful to the Greeks. I had studied them durifully their language their

Greek drama to be broadcast on television. And later still I had worked on Euripides' Bacchae for productions in Lon-don and the United States, All these translations had been published or performed some-where, and each time the work had fired my imagination or brought me to a new turn in

a distraction from my real work, even a threat. If I asso-

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scatter their fleet; the captured Trojan women are bitter and rebellious; one plots the death of the sons of a prince loyal to the Greeks; another, a mad priestess, forestells the murder of their king, Agamemmon, and she is proved right. When he reaches Greece Agamemmon is killed by his own wife, Clytemnestra, in revenge wife, Clytemnestra, in revenge for the daughter 10 years ago.

Meanwhile, Agamemnon's multiplication of their daughter and sister are reconciled and the story ends and mortals met as equals. At their wedding, attended by the sacrifice from any traction although they make only although, they make only although they make only alth

for the sacrifice of their daughter 10 years ago.

Meanwhile, Agamemnon's Menelaus, whose wife, brother Menelaus, whose wife, cause of all this, is blown off course and shipwrecked on the shores of Egypt. There he discause of all this, is oftown out course and shipwrecked on the shores of Egypt. There he dissible covers that the Helen he thought he had rescued from thought he had rescued from double. The true Helen has been in Egypt all this time, been in Egypt all this time, one of the gods spirited her away and left here there. She away and left here there. She away and left here there. She away and left here there in the away and left here there in the story. Still to though the story. Still to though the story. Still to though the story. Still to the come were several more murically the story of artistic choice, in matic reality, or artistic choice, in these families tangled in orgies of Discord was angry that she of Discord was angry that she had not been invited, and not been invited, and not been invited, and not been invited, and not been in the own wedding of FOR THE FAIREST. Naturally the three most powers, lenge to our narrative powers, lenge to our narrative powers, and to our logistical ingenuity. The questions that had to be a figure in the start of the war. In these families tangled in orgies of Discord was angry that she bad not been invited, and the was the trouble. The Goddess to file in her own wedding to be our problem to going to be our problem to everything else and it was point was also a challenge to our narrative powers, lenge to our narrative powers, and to our logistical ingenuity.

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second evening. "If Andro which rhythmically stomping then the actress playing then the actress playing at a pow-wow. Some of the versions of the plays survived in John's files to become the bases of adaptations that tellers from a Middle East bazzar, weaving together a vastly complicated series of the plays began to crystallize I themes and characters. At other times we felt more like the creators of a new timetable for a cosmic railway system,

version of James Joyce's Ulysses, directed a lewd Aristophanic parody of the whole proceedings. John and I worked on the various parts of

ir, including an Agamemnon in which rhythmically stomping

rassing junction in space/time.
Once before we had tried something like this. It was in 1966, in Stratford-upon-Avon, when John Barton and I, birth, marriage, puberty, they

Laid end to end, the plays revealed a startling variety of colours, Helen, for instance, the play in which Menelaus finally catches up with his long-lost bride in Egypt, is saucy, swift, sometimes almost farcical. When the story picks up again in Greece, Menelaus steps off his ship into the midst of a political crisis in volving his nephew Orestes, and the action turns savage, neurotic, with hysterical the most part out of moral specific attitudes. This is what toon or sheer blind passion.

I had always known this in the starts of Greek swemen the status of Greek were the status of Greek women in real life in the performers needed names. I spent hours searching for an appropriate names for these women were confined to the bome, denied most political calculation or sheer blind passion.

I had always known this in the performers needed names. I spent hours searching for appropriate names for these women were confined to be Greek, for the Greek plays and economic rights, and in general relegated to the role of saves. The slaves are women, they come from the board, and the action turns savage, neurotic, with hysterical and the action turns savage, general relegated to the role of are women, they come from neurotic, with hysterical second class citizens. In the the east, prisoners of war. The attempts at blackmail, arson, plays they ruled the world. Did

reflected that these stories, themes and characters. At other times we felt more like the creators of a new timetable for a cosmic railway system, making sure that characters in the fifth century. They were the staple of the did not collide at some embardid not collide at some that it to be solved. We wanted some that to think that I was approach to think that I

consigned to obscurity. One character died and was resur-rected several times. Her name is Theonoe, and I mention her here because this may be the last time for many years that she is heard of. She appears in she is heard of. She appears in the Helen, the play set in Egypt, and she is a priestess, the sister of the King of Egypt. Theonoe has second sight and her brother is a crude, lecherous boor who has been lusting after Helen ever since she arrived in Egypt. Theonoe disapproved of her brother's behaviour, but when Menelaus arrives to take Helen away she is not sure whether she should allow this to happen. The fate of the couple is in her hands, and once she has decided it, she leaves the has decided it, she leaves the action for good. A short part, easy to cut. The play would not miss her. Nor would audiences. Only I would.

For a while it looked as though Theonoe would survive to appear on the stage of the Aldwych. Her part could be used as a bait to lure an actress into the company. But the problem was solved in actress into the company. But the problem was solved in another way, and Theomoe was written out of the show. I was sorry. She was a little starchy, and certainly not glamorous, but I liked her.

As time became shorter, and spring became snorter, and spring became summer, the script began to follow me everywhere. Surprised commuters on trains in the New England countryside watched as I balanced a Greek text and large waighty manuscripts on palanced a Greek text and large weighty manuscripts on my lap juggling lines of dialogue. Other parts of the revision were done on long distance bus trips to northern states; still others on flights to remote off-shore islands. In the states; still others on filghts to remote off-shore islands. In the humid New York summer I would speak to John Barton by telephone and try to save Theonoe. Parts of the script were written on a ferry boat; other parts fell off it. And what about the gods?

what about the gods:

For every creme the mortals committed, the gods were guilty of something at least as vile. In lust, cruelty, greed, and petry spite, there was little to choose between gods and men. "Gods" seemed too dignified a word for these two dimensional shadows of all that was mean and unworthy dimensional shadows of all that was mean and unworthy in markind. The question of the gods became entangled with the other one, the question of why the Greeks kept following me, and why I allowed myself to fall into their grip, putting myself into the hands of characters whose actions would have landed them in jail for life in any sane society. sane society.

The gods hover over everything in the Greek dramas. Absurd, unpredictable, inevitable, they seduce earthly women, strike bargains with women, strike bargains with men for an extra slice of over-cooked meat, demand impos-sible feats of strength and courage, confer riches, fame, and sensual satisfaction. The characters in the plays are forever speculating about the gods, sometimes with the numbed amazement of a person werthing a quietly destruc-tive child dismantle an antique

The gods, childish and irrational. . . The women, strong-er than the men and the only er than the men and the only voice of conscience in a mind-lessly brutal universe. . . . The Greek plays as an artistic nemesis. . . As the summer progressed and the first day of rehearsal came closer, these questions began to seem to me to be connected. But how? There was no time to sit down

There was no time to sit down and work out a coherent answer, because every day there was a new piece of the puzzle to be fitted in, like the names for the characters in the chorus.

This may seem a small matter, but it was important for the actresses playing the roles of the chorus. They had to sustain their parts over days and months of rehearsal, keep them fresh and alive through more months of performance. In the original the chorus is a singing, dancing unit. But we in the east. Troy has brought this war on itself because the king's son, Paris, and the parts over days and positions. The parts over days the program on any given events, the first the capeture of the daughter of first states, and the great his own programs. The daughter of Greek states, and the daughter of Agamemno, the daught

Paperbacks of the month

Women at work

Victorian Working Women:
Portrait from Life, by Michael
Hiley (Gordon Fraser, 16.95)
Edwardian Lady: Edwardian
High Society 1900-1914, by Kate
Caffrey The Grand Century of
the Lady 1720-1820, by Arthur
Calder-Marshal (Gordon and
Cremonesi, £4.95 each).

A strait-laced civil servant with a job in the office of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and lodgings in the Inner Temple had a life-long obsession. He could not take his mind off big, strong, muscular women who earned their living by physical labour. The tougher and dirtier they worked, the more they obsessed him. Though a man of good breeding with an entrée to fashionable society, Arthur Munby courted and secretly married a maid-of-all-work, Hannah Cullwick, who called him "Massa" (master), washed his feet and wore a neck chain and wrist strap for him as signs of slavery. He liked to count the number of boots she had to clean in a year (1.023 pairs in 1861, for example) and once took a photograph of her in the crouching servile pose of a chimney sween half-naked and covered. servile pose of a chimney sweep, half-naked and covered in soot. Even after their mar-riage she continued to perform countless menial tasks for him, which be interpreted as signs of ideal "Christian self-

sacrifice. It was probably not a very healthy relationship, but at least Munby kept his hands off the hundreds of other labouring women whom he pursued throughout his life—hoarding photographs of them in their working seen and notice down working gear and noting down with meticulous care in his diary details of their jobs and their physical appearance. On has to wade through too much his death in 1910, he left hehind a great mass of writings and photographs which he had never bothered to organize into maindered shelves any publishable form. And we are indebted to his eccentricity:

for without him we would know for less about the Wigan pit brow girls who with their brow girls who "wish their great rakes guide and sort the coal" amid the "whirling blackmess" of suffocating dust; or the Filey fishergirls who would shin up and down the tail cliffs on ropes, "light and easy as a sailor", to collect bait for the fishermen. Nor would we have Hannah Cullwick's own account twitten at Munby's hidding) of her work as a maid in the house of a Paddington upholsterer—an extraordinary chronicle of unremitting hard labour. As she recorded in her diary on 1 January 1871, the boy servant her master kept was so "little" that ail the heavy tasks fell to her like digging coals & carrying 'cm

heavy tasks fell to her like digging coals & carrying 'em up . & anything as wants strength or height i am sent for . . i clean all the copper skuttles & . . the tins & help to clean the silver & do the washine up if i'm wented & carrying things up as for as the door for dinner—i clean 4 grates & do the fires & clean the irons—sweep & clean 3 rooms & my 'attic—the hall & front steps & the flags & area railings & all that in the street—i clean the water closet & privy . . I get all the meals down stairs & lay the cloth & wait on the boy & the housemaid, as much as they want. . .

Michael Hiley has repro-cessed Arthur Munby's and Hannah Cullwick's writings into a very presentable (if somewhat dislocated) volume of words and dislocated) volume of words and pictures. Arthur Calder-Marshall and Kate Caffrey have been less successful in their attempts to popularize history for the coffee table. Their jumbles of anecdotes about the "ladies" of the Georgian and Edwardian eras contain some foreignating tit bits. fascinating tit-bits—such as 18th century prescriptions for curing spots (two and a half grains of oxymuriate of mercury in four ounces of spirits of wine for the "livid, buttony pimple") and the deadly components of Edwardian cosmetics (lead, prussic acid, arsenic)—but one has to wade through too much



Anna Coole South West Lancashire Pit Brow Woman 1886.

White man's burden

Rumours of Rain, by André

This novel has, I believe, made a great stir. This is because it has a great subject. South African novelists, like Russians, both in the nineteenth century and now, have the unfortunate good fortune to have un-mapped territory to write about, and a complex, violent, morally compelling, and unstable society to understand, to describe, and possibly to

André Brink has taken on this epic duty with a fervour which is hard to distinguish from his Afrikaner hero-narrator's monumentally simple-minded and effective taking on of the burden of the Calvinist Boer in a rich but resistant Promised Land. We have everything here: big business (not too intricately presented), family history, Bible, hot dry land: kaffirs who change from friendly children to alien servants, wife, mistress, best friend who becomes a martyred hero of a violent resistance movement, son initiated into the brutalities of the white man's burden as a mercenary in Angola. We have intelligent, warm black men falling from windows, shady deals in land, patrimonial or tribal. We have Soweto.

The story is told in a series of flashbacks, put together with considerable technical brilliance, as the narrator Martin Mynhardt, writing less and less clumsily as he proceeds, searches his memories in the order in which he can bear to fece them, during a visit to the family farm. He is trying to

sell the farm despite his widowed mother's desire to live and die on their own land. He is a grabber: he buys, seduces, rapes, cheats, sacks, sells friends, lovers, family. He kan an impoverished, heftily He kan an impoverished, heftily simple morality to excuse all his actions: he expounds aparrheid, capitalism, experience, and the reasonableness of infidelity just fluently enough to be both plausible and wholly self-damning. He is also at some other level, never properly achieved in the writing, a more compelling figure. Where he goes men die—in unrelated motor accidents—or like the wife of the black cowherd, murdered by her husband on the night Martin happens to be at the farm. He is not accident prone; he is a disaster conducprone: he is a disaster conduc-

prone: he is a disaster conductor.

André Brink has made the
epic difficult for himself
because of the narrow limits of
the style and thought processes
of his narrator. One does not
know, as reader or critic,
whether one is being repelled
by character or author. This
matters a great deal, as there
is something cheap and nasty
about the book which I think
is unintentional. There is an
epic for a writer like Mann in
South Africa. There are writers—Gordimer, Lessing, Jacobson—who have revealed to us
parts of this unknown world
and the hideous and beautiful
muddle of what seems to sagacious Europeaus such a simple
black and white politico-moral
problem. Bur André Brink's
epic is altogether too much
Hollywood epic: big simple
scenes, lots of rapes, nipples,
communing (briefly) with the
Earth, willing spreading of
legs, and grand set piece
speeches. People move around
like animated celluloid, and the speeches. People move around like animated celluloid, and the like animated celluloid, and the language flickers and thumps on like, maybe, the stream-of-consciousness of a tired businessman in a Jumbo jet half-watching Charlton Heston's craggy face on the small screen wrinkle with the effort to think about the Ten Command-

A. S. Byatt

Tough

DASHIELL HAMMETT: The Big Knockover (Penguin, 51.25); The Thin Man (Penguin, 85p)

"Dashiell Hammett gave mur-der back to the kind of people that commit it for reasons, not just to provide a corpse." Ray-mond Chandler's words are printed in big, fat letters on this new edition of some of Hammett's short stories, The Big Knockover. And it's a pity.

Portraying Hammett as the first of the tellers of tough private-eye stories may sell more copies than would proclaiming his major virtue (and correctly describing the contents: there are nine, not ten, "classic suspense stories", the tenth piece being Hammet's tenth piece being Hammett's unfinished autobiographical novel Tulip). Hammett may have stories for pulp magazines, even excellent ones, but he ended as a novelist in the full meaning

So, while his fiction reads as simple crime stories has its excitements and the frissons of seeing a real, tough world, a sals of received opinion, its much more enduring pleasure evocation of the uprooted world is to be had from acknowledging of post-World War I, and ponthe imaginative content from the imaginative content, from experiencing it as literature. For Hammett had a vision of the Hammett had a vision of the world. He saw it, in the words of that fine critic Professor Steven Marcus, as "bottomlessly equivocal, endlessly fraudulent." He sought to show us a very much deeper reality than the mere brutalities of San Francisco in the 1920s.

I see a parallel in his life as a writer with Charles Dickens. Both had the traumatic experience, eventually beneficially revealing, of being tumbled from family security, however, precarious, into the barsh com-

mercial lower depths. For Dickens it was the blacking factory. For Hammett it was leaving high school at 14 to work on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Dickens began to break through by excelling at shorthand and becoming a parliamentary reporter. Hau-ment became a Pinkerton operative, and a very good one. Both began by writing fiction of a catchpenny sort. Both dis-covered they could strive for the highest things fiction can do. That striving eventually broke them both, Hammett

much the sooner. When you buy The Big Knockover read first the fragment Tulip. It amply repays you. Little happens. A writer is visited in his backwoods retreat by a World War II Army friend, a bit of a bore. Army friend, a bit of a core.
They spar. Things come out No
more than that. But the writing
is so truthful, so uncluttered,
that you read as if there was a
surprise every ten pages, a
shock every 20. After this, turn
to Lilian Hellman's long biographical introduction, much of it later used in ber own auto biography, a beautiful piece of writing in a different, pellucid

stories "The Gutting of Couffignal" and experience its reverder why its tough-suy narrator describes so much of the book he reads to while away his watch and names its here es Hogarth; Hogarth, painter of the morally ambiguous under-side of the ordered world. And finally read (again perhaps)
The Thin Man and see it as more than a light-hearred, tough-talking mystery. Ask yourself just why four whole pages are devoted to an extract from a social history describing a case of cannibalism in America.

H. R. F. Keating of contedy.
Yet the book naturally has a

Demi paradise

The Semi-attached Couple; The Semi-detached House, by Emily Eden. (Virago, £2.95).

It must always be a satisfac-tion to the ordinary man to find that he has something in common with Darwin, if only a liking for novels with a happy ending. Emily Eden's are better than that; for the reader, at any tate, they are happy all

The Semi-attached Couple, published first in 1860 was writpublished first in 1860 was written 30 years earlier. In its opening scene with Mrs Douglas acidly describing to her husband a visit to her grand neighbours, the Eskdales, it is bound to recall Jane Austen. Mrs Douglas, indeed, is a slice of lemon that prevents the love story from cloying, and most of the people we should rather like to know. Lord and Lady Eskdale tionate, the young Teviots are so interesting a case of a mar-riage that nearly goes wrong, and the languid Colonel Beau-fort so droll ("Half the fun of my proposal will be to see her look of delight") that it is always a pleasure to revisit them. Mrs Douglas, who has a genius for fancying signs of age in a pretty woman, is not so bad as she seems and is sometimes forced into defending her victims by the airs and pretensions of the insufferable Lady Portmore, a born mischief-maker and another in-vention of whom Miss Austen herself might not have been

And then there is Fisher-wick, the Cabiner Minister's secretary, who simply lives to make his master comfortable and see him succeed—another charming and touching figure

tempo quite different from Miss Austen's. This is Miss Eden's own world of politics and country house life which the older author hardly knew, where the talk is brisk and lively and the people not hidebound by convention. There are public affairs to recount—a bridge to be opened and an "impromptu" speech by the Cabinet Minister—and an electon impossible to do justice to ton impossible to do justice to without long quotations.

Miss Eden was encouraged to unearth and revise the ear-lier novel by the success of another comedy, The Semi-detached House, in 1859, a work in striking contrast. Here we are in a dormitory suburb on the hanks of the Thames we are in a dormitory suburb on the banks of the Thames, where another young wife, Lady Chester, is expecting her first baby and fretting because her husband has had to go on a mission to Berlin. Like everyone else who takes a semi-detached she wonders rather apprehensively what the people next door will be like, and the tale in fact consists in rather apprehensively what the people next door will be like, and the tale in fact consists in her making friends with them and getting to know some of many good American Jewish the more remarkable of the other inhabitants. The wraith of Miss Austen has gone; we are decidedly and delightfully in an unexpected corner of Victorian England, to which businessmen return from the City and sea captains from their voyages, and where suburban society indulges in monstrous snobberies. One spectacular figure is the Baroness Sampson, wife of a speculator on a big scale, whose attempts at patronizing her acquain-tances always go wrong; another oddity is the inconsol-able widower who positively able widower who postavely flaunts his woes, and there is an original and rather pathetic character in the Baroness's clever niece with a bitter tongue. The rest of the pleasures in store for the new reader be must quickly discover for him-

Jan Stephens

Ancient curses

EMANUEL LITVINOFF: Journey Through a Small Planet: A Death Out of Season: Blood on the Snow: The Face of Texror (Penguin, 95p, the trilogy £1.50 each).

The Jewish immigrants from eastern Europe, who began arriving in large numbers at British and American ports
before the turn of the century,
did well for themselves and
their adopted countries. It
seemed not to matter whether
they settled in London's East
End or New York's lower Fast End or New York's lower East Side; their descendants were

often as successful in the pro-fessions as in buiness.

The New World offered more opportunity and larger rewards but many British Jews, to use writers, but over here only publishers come readily to mind. I was reminded of this after reading for the first time Emanuel Litvinoff's Journey Through a Small Planet, now issued in paperback. His East End was very different from mine, but just as colourful and alive, and should have produced a school of Jewish writers. Certainly I cannot recall reading a comparable American work as-good as this.

Small Planet is a fragmentary account of the author's child-hood, and I read it in one sitting. There was none of the expected schmaltz, but an array of characters who could have come out of Dickens, except that being recent arrivals from eastern Europe gave them an extra

Their sons and daughters were assimilated there is a revealing passage in which the young Littinoff, in conversation

with the son of an Italian Roman Catholic immigrant, insists that he is an Englishman as well as a Jew—but the first-generation immigrants stub-bornly remained what they were when they got off the coffin boats.

Mark Golombek, a tailor's presser, made soldiers' uniforms during the First World War and in a pocket of each tunic inserted a handwritten leaflet which said, "Tura your guns on your real enemies I Down with blood-thirsty Capitalism! (signed) Workers Committee for Inter-

was an anarchist or revolutionary as we suspected at the time.

Mr Shulberg, "a small fat man of anxious countenance who was a collector for the Jewish Burial Society", was a stavivor.

Mrs Litvinoff's second husband was a gambler, and young Lityinoff briefly became an enthusiastic Young Communist only because of Hannah Fish-bein and her "sweet smile, schoolgirl freckles and plump

young breasts ". immigrants were ded to their hated homelands by political links, and it is this background which gives Mr Livelender Nevertheless, many of the which gives Mr Livinoff's trilogy, The Faces of Terror, its authenticity. The first volume A Death Out of Season is especially powerful.

is especially powerful.

I suppose it could be described as faction, in that it is fiction written within a framework of historical fact. The old Whitechapel is evoked even more powerfully than in Small Planet, but the bero is Peter the Painter and the climax is the siege of Sydney Street. The second Blood in the Snow, is set in the civil war which followed the Russian Revolution, and the third, The Faces of Terror, reflects the guilt and Terror, reflects the guilt and disflusion of revolutionaries under Stalin's regime.

Louis Heren

practically innumerable

to help at one of the Cheshire to help at one of the Chestrire Homes for the survivors of concentration camps, and began a new life herself, in her interest in these people, in public speaking and traveiling on behalf of the Homes. A new life began for Paul, in a special school in Polend. Her third son, John Mark, was born, and then her fourth child, Nicholas.

Nicholas was a mongol. It was a bad blow. He had to have a serious operation within weeks

serious operation within weeks of his birth, and he survived it.

serious operation within weeks of his birth, and he survived it. "He was the most pathetic waif I had ever seen", said his mother, and from then on all the family were devoted to this charming, infuriating, but dear human being.

It is a truly remarkable book, in every way. Paul died at the age of 10, and no one could pretend that this was anything but a mercy. It had never been possible for anyone to form any kind of relationship with him, though the Polish school had helped, a little. Mary. Craig accepted the pain and the exhaustion, pulling herself out of self-piry and hopelessness as an act of common-sense and self-protection. "Too much somshine makes a desert " runs an old Arab proverb, so she tells us, adding that the human heart is very often a desert, but sorrow irrigates it. The reader may be the most distressed by the extraordinary and cruel amitudes of others to the family tragedy. "Old fish face" the neighbourhood children called Paul, but adults, doctors and friends seemed equally unable to hide their feelings that children such as he should not be allowed out in public. The Craig family survived this ordeal, giving, in their kives, one answer to the problem of pain and suffering. If you have biessings, count, them.

Pluisppa Toomey

Facing facts

(Corouer, 85p)

Mary Craig found herself unwilling to face the facts about her second son, Paul. From his birth, something was wrong. It was only when a foreign doctor, with an unfortunate, brusque manner said: "He has Hohler's Syndrome, a rare disease. In English you call it er, gargoylism", that the truth was made plain.

From then on it was a via dolorosa for mother and son, a round of clinics and specialists, with fading hopes for any kind of improvement, enduring the humiliation of heing considered a specimen, "the mother" of an interesting and rare case, a monstrous son. He was, in the cruel official phrase "ineducable" and the account of how the and her husband Frank and the family managed to live and

the family managed to live and the difficulties of life with Paul is extremely moving. She went for a week's holiday

Philippa Toomey

Testament of Experience, by Vera Brittain (Virago, £3.50). A sequel (with Testament of Friendship) to the rediscovered and much admired Testament of Youth, this part of Vera Brittain's autobiography covers the years 1925-50, from her marriage to George Calkin in 1925 and the birth of her two children. John and Shritey to her political and writing career. To a convinced parifies the decadent years of the rise of the Nazis and the Spanish Civil War were terrifying. During the war she campaigned against saturation bombing of civilians. She travelled widely and lectured in America, wrote, and at the country, A remarkable record.

Blessings, by Mary Craig (Coroner, 85p)

I think there can be little doubt that radio today is, if not actively happy, at least in a very much better physical and psychological condition than she was and that this has happened partly because she has done what she was told. She broadcasts enormous quantities of news and its derivatives and when she does so—at least tities of news and its derivatives and when she does so—at least at some hours of the day and night—her audience returns to her; she has cultivated music with an isomense (and so some alarming) catholicity so that, taken all in all, it probably attracts the largest single faultiful audience. Her progeny now exceed 40, although not quite as planned, for when that target was set she was still a BBG monopoly. The Seventies have seen the first official breach in that monopoly with local radio divided between the BBG and the IRA. Yet together the two brands of local can be seen as following the be seen as following the prescription of Broadcasting in the Seventies: the "independent" stations mostly offer plenty of music, mainly popular; both are occupied with news and current affairs, chiefly as seen from the parish pump, but interpreting the pump, but interpreting the terms to cover an immense renge of material. Obviously they have reclaimed an audience and a substantial one for radio: had they not done so, had the advertisers and shareholders not had proof of it, then certainly as far as the

Radio

Blondie and

the Voice

Once upon a time, ten long years ago, there was a medium called radio and she was not

a happy medium. The reason for her unhappiness was easy to

discern: the infant marriage which some forty eight years previously she had contracted

which some forty eight years previously she, had contracted with a certain Audience and which had blossomed and then so rapturously flourished—particularly during and after the war—was on the rocks. Poor radio, she had never had any looks to speak of, but her Voice was sensational; with the lights down you could swear it was Sophia Loren. Alas, along came the 1950s and the rise of the Blond Vampire of Lime Grove: the voice was nothing, with—so some uncharitably said—vocabulary and brain to march, but brother, was she easy on the eye! With scarce a backward glance. Audience abandoned his beloved of so many years in favour-of the Blond and Amazingly Visible Vampire who even had the nerve to send her ousted rival a document by the hands of her own retainers (Trethowan and Whitby by name) setting out how that wrenched and foresaken woman might be permitted to pass the

wretched and foresaken woman might be permitted to pass the remainder of her inconspicuous days. That document was entitled Broadcasting in the Seventies and it decreed that her once all-powerful Voice should now confine itself chiefly to music and current affairs; and yes, she might continue to speak in dialogue although nobody could be in doubt that the big time, drematically speaking, had passed to Blondie. Furthermore she was recommended to apply herself henceforth to procreation, establishing her children—who should number 40—in branches of the news and current affairs

of the news and current affairs business up and down the land.

The decree was received with mixed rage, bafflement and despair: certain acolytes of the Voice threatened mutiny; one

of the most famous of them, one Bridson, gave it as his opinion that "Broadcasting in the Seventies proved to most

the Seventies proved to most thinking people that the Seventies were for the yahoos." In short, ten years ago radio was in a right mess. A suitable question therefore at the end of the decade might be to ask: Has the voice decayed still further with it? Or is she now a happier medium than she was?

In the meantime, although the audience—and especially at the Radio 4 end—has been falling off, there is no hint that the networks propose to go out of husiness if only because there is no one else to provide a truly national radio service and some of the necessities or benefits that go with it: the kind of news and current affairs cover age offered by Radio 4, for instance, or the huge output of serious music on Radio 3. These are what she was told to provide but there are other reasons why network radio will not wither and they have to do with the fact that she has maintained and indeed developed activities which 10 years ago did not look all that promising Drama is an obvious example; since 1970 there have been more plays than ever and in many respects they are better plays; even the feature thought to have passed on in 1964, has just about kept going and may even make a real come-back.

IBA stations are concerned, none of them could have

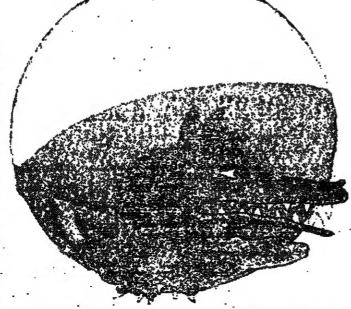
Local radio apart, the other noticeable innovations of the decade have also arisen directly out of radio's need to find a role in the face of television. Fast news coverage extended into instant topicality, exemplified by the rise of the phone-in which Radio 4 insugarated in late 1970 with Ir's Your Line and which in some sort of fusion with the ubiquitous charters are become a maintain of show has become a mainstay of local radio. In some areas net-work radio has given up : she work radio has given up; she has, to all intents and purposes, abandoned the attempt to put out children's programmes here television has defeated her. In other ways she is much feebler than, she ought to be redio science is adequate, radio religion a little better than it, was, but neither seems terribly interested in Man, as an object of sindy. What are they there for if nor that? In the eighties perhaps they will improve and perhaps they wild improve and drams, too; will maybe rediscover the heritage left it by the great radio waters of the past and turn from being merely good to excellent.

David Wade

The golden oldies

The Girl of the Golden Gate: The Golden Brothers: The Princess and the Golden Mane: The Three Golden Heads of the Well, by Alan Garner, illustra-ted by Michael Foreman (Col-lins Colour Cubs, 40p each). It's a bit naughty of Wm Collins Sons & Co to advertise these "Fairytales of Gold" as "original" stories by Alan Garner. Three are modelled closely on material in collections by the Grimm Brothers, Sidney Addy and Robert Chambers, and although the fourth, The Princess and the Golden Mane, is more and the Golden Mane, is more clusive, it brings together a common enough group of motifs: princess cast out for marrying stableboy, talking horse, magic objects that help getoway. (Where, in modern fairy tales, they drop bent nails to puncture the tyres of pursuances a neck together the stable to puncture the tyres of pursuances a neck together the stable the stable together the stable together the stable the stable together the stable the stable together the stable together the stable the stable toge ing cars, in old-style ones a peck of selt tossed out behind will usefully transform itself into a glass-sided mountain:)

What the publishers presumably wanted to stress in calling these little books "original" and suppressing any evidence to the contrary—is Mr Garner's forceful talent as editor. With a right sense of priorities he sees fidelity to printed sources as of lesser moment than making his tales ring true as as of resser moment than making his tales ring true as pieces of English storytelling. This may involve transposing dialect. The core text for The Three Golden Heads, for instance, is Chambers's "Wal at the Warld's End", which Mr. Garner has freely anglicized—



and has checkily replaced a Scottish puddock (or frog) with a Cheshire asker (or newt). On the other hand, it may involve dressing old bones in new raiment. He retains the struc-ture of the Grimms Golden Brothers but tells it from scratch in a fresher, brisker

Indeed, the outstanding feature of "Fairytales of Gold" is the zest of the language. "More to a meal than ears or thinks" should be supported by outstanding thumbs" shouts the ogre as he pursues the horse with the golden mane, and the phrase encapsulates the presency of the story, "One more won't hurt",

says the girl of the golden gate-as she is rewarded with bags of treasure for disobeying one by one the injunctions of her sinister master the formal and she thus sums up the perpetual resilience of the hardy loner in the face of magical events.

No amount of linguistic conjuring, however, can save a story from itself and readers may well find that, despite Mr Garner's efforts, The Golden Brothers is a broken-backed narrative, and the blended tales of the Cold tales for the Cold tales.

tor. For although it can be argued that stories as good as The Three Golden Heads do not, and never did, require someone else's images, it may be advantageous to enhance the ramshackle drama of other ramshackle drama of other tales with technicolour commentary. Within the smallish, squareish, dump-bin dimensions of the Colour Cubs, Mr Foreman has designed a series of double-spread paintings whose feeling for the colloquial and the fantastic goes a long way towards papering over the cracks in the narrative.

This is not, in fact, the first

This is not, in fact, the first conjunction of these two artists. A year or two ago Alan Garner published four novellas in which published four novellas in which he explored with tense imagination some scenes in the life of his craftsmen forbears: The Stone Book, Gramy Reardun, The Aimer Gate and Tom Fobble's Day. Each of these was illustrated with etchings by Michael Foreman whose gloomy images apparently gained full authorial. Telification by giving Mr. apparently gained full authorial ratification by giving Mr Garner a migraine. For the recently published paperback editions of the books, however (Collins, 75p each), no paper could be found that would take the subtle tones of the etchings and the artist has therefore replaced them all with pen drawings — much cunning, scratchy shading and cross-hatching. These replicas may lack the brooding weight of the original pictures but their lightoriginal pictures but their light-ness and clarity are entirely in keeping with the new edition. Furthermore they suggest a hope that Mr Foreman will turn from his sometimes facile reliance on tonal effects

towards a stronger, linear style. Brian Alderson

Quick guide

Gold and Iron: Bismark, Bleichröder and the Building of the German Empire, by Fritz Stern (Allen and Unwin. 4.95). Gerson Bleichröder (1822-93) was Bismarck's personal banker, confidential agent and Court Jew: they often met daily. He was "everything", claims Fritz Stern "that has been left out of German history"—an enthralling biograbeen left out of German his-tory"—an enthralling biogra-phical drama of Christian hypocrisy and High Capitalism, Gold and Iron was one of the outstanding histories of the 1970s, exploring like no earlier accounts the connexion between German lumperial ambition and commercial enterprise—the flag commercial enterprise—the flag, or at least the State, frequently followed where the cheque book had led—between Junker cunning and Jewish skill. The cunning and Jewish skill. The successes were dazzling; the characters are complex; the ending, inevitably, is bitter and grim. Stern has assembled a source-book of modern history and given in the panoramic range of a 19th-century novel.

Forever Amber, by Kathleen Winsor (Corgi, two vols, £1.25 each). The book caused a seneach). The book caused a sen-sation when it came out in 1945, read surreptitiously by the young, with shock and hor-ror by their elders, serialized in Sunday newspapers it told the story of a beautiful, illegi-timate girl of gentle birth cut-ting a swathe through Restora-tion London, from her unshak-able devotion to Bruce, Lord Carlton, her first seducer, on

affaires and marriages, culminaring, if it can be regarded as such, in the post of mistress to Charles II. The actions were licentious, the words amazingly prim. By comparison to the works of Jacqueline Susann and Jackie Collins, Forever Amber could be an O level text, which is not as odd as it seems. While Amber, the boring Bruce, lords, ladies, highwaymen, cirizens and children were all carved from gorgeous cardboard, Kathleen Winsor had done all the research very thoroughly and Restoration London and the brilliant, cruel and treacherous Court comes to life, or, as in a truly awful description of two people kving through an artick of the plague, to death.

More or Less, by Kanneth More (Coronet, £1.25). The face is familiar. Everyone knows the cheerful, friendly extrovert, the man wan starred in all the films about the war. in all the films about the war, and those very funny comedies. Less well known are the pittalls on the way to the top, and the even more painful moments when a career takes a change in direction—as when Kenneth More was involved in a very difficult divorce, having fallen in love with a girl 27 years younger than be, and at the same time had to make the transition to older roles. On personal grounds, he was ostracised, and it took The Forsyte Saga to restore his career. He is cheerful, friendly and extroverted, and has a mine of extremely sunny stories about the great and not so great, but like all actors, he lives for the next part.

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PERSONAL CHOICE



Antonia Pemberton and Emily Richard in Enemy at the Door (ITV, 8.45)

• We must be charitable and assume that, even though tonight's • We must be charitable and assume that, even though tonight's production of Prokoviev's The Love of Three Oranges (BBC 2, 7.20) is the BBC's first televised opera since the visually hideous Macbeth of 1977, the long interval was in no way the result of the howls of dismay which greeted that artistic nightware. Tonight's is a studio performance, as was the Verdi, but I believe that its set design, which includes spectacular waterfalls and a flying balloon, is quite remarkable. And it must count for something that Oleg Prokoviev, son of Serge, sa, s in his introduction to tonight's production that he feels it is the best representation of his father's fantasy opera that he has ever seen. Should the sight of it displease you, however, you can always Should the sight of it displease you, however, you can always listen to it on Radio 3 at 7.15, and in stereo too.

Royalists are well catered for today. Soul of a Nation (BBC 2, 9.25) is a two-part documentary about King Bhumibol Adulyadej and Queen Sirikit of Thailand, and International Assignment (Radio 4, 11.35 am) tors up the number of other kings and queens the world over who still have a throne on which to sit. I see that Leo Aylen, who wrote the film about the Thai monarchy, was unable to resist the temptation to get the king to talk about one of his famous ancestors, King Mongkut, whom Yul Brynner swaggeringly impersonated in The King and I (indeed he is still doing so in London). The film is banned in Thailand; whether on artistic or monarchic grounds, we may leave to sight

● London Weekend Television's first collection of plays about the German occupation of the Channel Islands in the Second World War—they went under the umbrella title Enemy at the Door—were so well received that a second lot was embarked upon, and tonight (ITV, 8.45) sees the screening of the first episode. Few will be sorry to see that Alfred Burke's Wainz Picture. Major Richter, a resounding hit in the first series, is jackbooting it again through the streets of Guernsey in the second.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE; (r) REPEAT.

Broadcasting Guide

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TELEVISION

Doubles Champtonship) at 3,00 and 4.05; 3,20 Rugby League—Widnes v Bradford Northern in the

tinal of the John Player Trophy. 5.15 Holiday on Ice: Highlights of

the spectacular show from Lau-

sanne, 6.05 News: with Peter Woods.

6.15 Sport. 6.20 Dr Who : Part 3 of The Horus

of Nimon. Jolly space adventure. 6.45 Jim'll Flx II: Jimmy Savile gives youngsters a chance to eat

spaghetti correctly, go tracking with bloodhounds, learn how model trains are made, take part in a TV serial.

that. 8.10 The Dick Emery Show : New

a TV serial.

7.20 All Creatures Great and Small; the James Herriot vet stories. Tonight: James and Helen adopt a cat, but it is not as easy as Scotland: Sc

BBC 1

BBC 2

9.05 am Better Badminton : Repeat of the BBC 2 series which should improve your game.

9.30 Multi-Coloured Swap Shop : Noel Edmonds's ever-changing show, with guests. They include Gareth Edwards (on sport), Andrew Sachs (on the confic walter Manuel) and Professor Eric Laithwaite (on magnetism).

12,15 pm Grandstand : The line-up is : 12,20 Football Focus, with Bob Wilson; 12.45 Runby League Chal-leage Cup Draw; Racing from Hay-dock Park at 12.50, 1.20, 1.50 and 2.20; International Darts (the Watneys MY British Open Champion-ships) at 1.10, 1.40, and 2.40; 2.10 Cricket: Australia v England, the second Test : International Tennis (the Braniff Airways World

sions. Closedown at 12.30. 1.40

Film : The Little Mermaid. English

version of the Czechoslovakian-

made fairy story based on the Andersen original, Music, dancing

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8.40 Sesame Street: American series which painlessly teach young children about life.

9.40 The Beachcombers: Canadabased adventure stories. Today: a battle between model aircraft (r).

10.05 Superman: The American cartum-strip hero in a poorly-made TV series.

10.30 Tiswas: Children's TV show, where the prevailing model is one

10.30 Tiswas: Children's TV show, where the prevailing mood is one of lunacy.

12.30 World of Sport. The line-up is:—12.35 Ian St John previews today's FA Cup games; 1.00 International Ice Hockey from America 1.15 News; 1.20 The ITV Seven; Racing from Sandown at 1.30, 2.00, 2.30 and 3.00, and from Market Rasen at 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45; 3.10 Show Jumping—The Martell Cognac Grand Prix, from Upminster; 3.50 Half Time Football

story of an old-age pensioner and her Great Date.

5.35. Atoms for Inquiring Minds
Last of six programmes based on
the Royal Institution Christmas
lecture for Young People, given by
Professor Eric M. Rogers of 11.15 am Open University: 11.15 Home Sweet Dome ; 11.40 Fees and Costs; 12.05 pm Consumer Deci-

Frinceton.
6.35 Cricket Australia v England.
Highlights from the second day's
play in the second Test, trom Syd-

Andersen original. Music, dancing and spectacular sets. Made in 1975.

2.05 Play Away: Comedy and music show for children.

3.30 Film: Stay Away Joe (1968). Little-known Elvis Presley comedy about an American Indian rodeu rider (Mr Presley) who tries to bring prosperity to his family and tribe. With Burgess Meredith, the late Joan Blondell and Katy Jurado.

5.10 The Trouble with Junia The his ancestor, King Mongkut who

Results; 4.00 Wrestling, from Leeds; 4.50 Results Service. 5.05 News. 5.15 Oh Boy! New series of these

5.15 Oh Boy! New series of these show devoted to the rock music of the 1950s and 1960s. With Jos Brown and the Bruvvers, Alvin Stardard and Tim Whitnall.
5.45 Happy Days: American comedy series set in the 1950s (r).
6.15 Film: Skyjacked (1972) Hottywood thriller about a killer who boards a passenger airliner and threatens to blow it up. With Chariton Heston, Yvette Mimueux, Walter Pidgeon.
8.00 Search for a Star: Another five little-known acts. Including five little-known acts, including two singers, a ventriloquist and a reggae and limbo act. The final is

phy.

Flynn O'Thick, Mr Emery also gets caught up in a witch hunt.

3.45 Dalias: a serial about an oilrich Texan family. Tonight: Sue
Ellen finds herself attracted to a

9.45 Match of the Day: Highlights from three of today's FA Cup games. Also, the result of the Goal

of the Month competition. 10.55 Parkinson: Alistair Cooke

gets—and deserves—a whole edi-tion to himself. 12.00 Weather.

ESG 1 VARIATIONS; Wales: 6.15 pm Sports News. 12.00 News and weather of Scotland: 4.25 Scoreboard. 6.15 Scoreboard, 9.45 Shorts-one, 12.00 News and weather Northern Ireland: News and weather Northern Ireland: News and weather, England 12.05 am Clove.

was the King half of The King and

1) and about the history and poli-rics of this nation which lives under the shadow of a communist invasion. John Gielgud narrates. 10.40 News and weather.

10.50 International Tennis High-lights of tonight's second semi-final in the Braniff Atrways World Doubles Championship, from

rodeo cowboy.

9.35 News: with Peter Woods.

Doubles Championship, from Olympia.

11.30 Film Night People (1954). Spy story, set in Berlin. about American Army intelligence's efforts to snath back a young soldier whom the Russians have kidmapped. With Gregory Peck, Broderick Crawford and Rita Cam.

1.00 am Music 21 Night. The eleventh movement of Lisat's plano suite The Christmas Tree, played by Rhondda Gillespie. It is called In Hungarian Rhythm. Closedown at 1.10.

previous series left off, with the appointment of a new commander-in-chief of the Channel Islands, (see Personal Choice).

10.00 Heartland : New series of love 10.00 Meartiand: New series of love stories. This one—Alice Trying, by Donald Churchill—is about a repressed middle-aged spinster (judy Parfitt) who is helped by three men when she tries to shed her inhibitions. One character from each of the six plays will appear in the following one. 11.00 Pro-Celebrity Spooker : ITV's

9.45 News and sport.

counter-blast to the current Pot Black series on BBC? This is a match in the Canadian Club Tro-

11.45 Michael Legrand and Friends: Music from the French composer-pionist and his guests, Helen Reddy and Dizzy Gillespie. nn January 19.

8.45 Enemy at the Door: Episode 1
In a new series of dramas about the
German occupation of Guernsey in
the last war. Picks up where the
12.45 Closedown.

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RADIO

6.55 am Regional news, weather,

Radio 3 12.00-7.05 am Cricket : Australia v 7.05 Records: Fauré, Gounod, Ravel.† 7.55 Weather.

8.00 News. 8.05 BBC Northern SO/Leppard: Greig, Weber, Mendelssohn, Gra-

9.15 Record Review.

oreaktast natus.
9.00 News.
9.05 Breakaway Goes Boating.
9.50 News Stand.
10.05 Talking Politics.
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Pick of the Week.†
11.35 International Assignment 10.15 Stereo Release : Schubert, Finzi.† 11.15 Bandstand.† 11.45 Diversions: classics on record.† 11.35 International Assignment.

record.†
1.00 pm News.
1.05 Plano (Wallfisch): Schubert
(D894), Bartok.†
2.00 Play It Again: outstanding
music of the past week.†
5.00 Jazz Record Requests.†
5.00 Jazz Record Requests.† 12.00 News. 12.02 pm Money Box. 12.27 The News Quiz.† 12.55 Weather. 1.00 News. 1.10 Any Questions? 5.45 Critics' Forum.
6.35 Clarinet Quintet: Reger.†
7.15 Opera: The Love of Three
Oranges, by Prokofiev (Tinsley;
Leggate/Oliver; LPO/Stapleton)
SB with BBC2.†
3.0 Telly Smith's Secret Armies 00 News. .05 Wildlife. .30 Play: Mother Says, by D. J.

Hart.† 3.30 Does He Take Sugar? 9.30 Talk: Stalin's Secret Armies. 9.50 Violin sonates: Tartini.† 10.45 Medmer: centenary assess-4.00 News. 4.02 God in My Language : Islam. 4.02 God in My Language: Islam.
4.30 Time for Verse.
4.40 Come to the Opera.†
5.25 Week Ending.†
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.15 Desert Island Discs.
6.55 With Great Plessure.†
7.35 Baker's Dozen.†
8.30 Play: Maguire, by Bill Naughton. ment.† 11.15 Record Mediner (Pno Conc. 2-composer/Philharmonia/ Dobrowen).

11.55 News. 12.00-7.05 am Cricket; Australia v Radio 2

ton. 10.00 News. Nation E. S.03 Paddy O'Byrne.; S.07 David Jacobs.; 10.02 Kevin Morrison.; 12.02 pm Paul Damiels.; 1.02 Stop the World. 1.30-6.00 Sport on 2 FA Cup; Test Cricket; Tennis; Racing (Sandown); Sports Report. 6.03 Europe 80. 7.02 Beat the Record. 10.15 Encore : review. 11.00 Lighten Our Darkness. 11.15 Philip Jones story: Nobody's 11.45 Ghost 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

2.30 Top Tunes.† 8.02 Geraldo Orchestra.† 8.30 Semprini.† 9.30 Big Rand Special.† 10.02 Hilversum Greets Radio 2.† 11.02 Sports Desk. 11.10 Ray Moore.† 2.03 am-6.00 You and the Night and the Muste.†

Radio 1

N. A. Radio 2. 7.00 News. 7.03 Playground. 8.00 Tony Blackburn. 10.00 Peter Powell. 1.00 pm Adrian Juste.u 2.00 Paul Gambaccini.† 4.00 Rock on Saturday.† 7.30 Steve Wright. 10.00 Al Matthews. 12.00-6.00 am As Radio 2. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2 5.00 am With Radio 2. 1.00 pm With Radio 1. 7.30-6.00 am With Radio 2.

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Radio 4

7.80 News.

8.00 News.

6.25 am Shipping forecast. 6.30 News. 6.32 Farming Today. 6.50 Yours faithfully.

7.10 On Your Farm. 7.40 Today's Papers. 7.45 Yours Faithfully.

8.10 Sport on 4. 8.45 Today's Papers. 8.50 Paw-paw and

8.50 Paw-paw a breakfast habits.

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Yorkshire As London Pacent; Stats 9.00 am Cat-loun. 9.10 Spiderman 9.30 Logan's Jun. 6.15 pm Jun: Mot Rock Jubert Redord, George Seell, 11.00 Plum: Anderson Tapes Sean Conners. Scottish

As London even; Siaris 9.10 am Helping Rand. 9.35 Familey Island. 8.15 per Film Hot Rock. However Schill. Robert Redford. 11.00 Late Call. 11.05 Sosp. 11.35 Star Parade.

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REGIONAL TV

HTV

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As London except: Starts 9.30 am livio-ing Mand. 9.55 Larry the Lamb. 10.05 Panglate 10.30 (Lhopper begud 11.05 Panglate 10.30 (Lhopper begud 11.05 Sesime Street, 5.45 pm Makin' It, 6.15 Film: Hot Rock (Höber) Redord, George Segal). 11.00 Paniasy Island. Channel

As London except. Starts 12.30 pm world of Sport. 5.14 Publis Flustice 5.18 Oh Boy! 5.45 Mork and Mindy. E.15 Film: Hot Mock etcorge Sogil. Hobert Redignd. 11.00 Unismed World, 11.30 Barney Miller. ATV

Southern As London except; Starts 8.45 am Play Guitar II 9.10 Sesame Street 10.05 Superman, 6.15 pm Ilin; King Solomon's Mines (Deborah Kerr) 71.00 News, 11.05 Film; Rutchgo (Joan Lolling), 12.30 am Weather, followed by Uniy a Few Know.

Anglia

Border

Westward As London excont; Starts 9.25 am Film: Start for Leigh. Victor Vature: 10.55 Look and Sec. 11.09 Unitared World. 11.25 Lius Honeybun's bathdays. 11.30 Logan's Run. 12.27 pm News. 5.14 Nows. 5.18 Oh Boy: 5.45 Nork Jand Mindy. 6.15 Film Hot Rock Robert Redford, George Segai: 11.00 Sauretay, Nighi in the Wei. 11.30 Barney Miller. 11.55 Faith for Life.

CHOICE

Felicity Kendal in Shakes-

peare's Twelfth Night (BBC

■ Washington : Behind Closed Doors was nee-Nixonian mele-drama. Blind Ambition (BBC 2

10.20) puts a real shoulder to

the doors and discloses the truth behind Watergate. The

whole truth? Well, the truth according to Mr Nixon's special counsel, John Dean and his

wife Mo who both wrote books

about the affair. This four-part

series is a dramatization of both works.

• I have a gut feeling, as the Americans say, that Cedric Messina's production of Twelfth

Night (BBC 2, 7.15) will be

to the televised Complete Works. For one thing, just look at the cast (see BBC 2

technologically thrusting nation, scarcely mentions

one village, where the community spirit is all

on the right).

pervasive.

one of his better contributions

• Inside Japan (BBC 1, 10.55), the first of 15 films about this

hardware. It is the story of just

Tn Look Alive (ITV, 1.30)

is trying to get its pre-strike viewers back. More pro-grammes like this should do the trick, I would say.

Shillingbury Blowers (ITV.

all but name, studio and

by a pop music composer.

Much angry puffing and blowing by die-hards. Then-

amazing success. But some

sour notes, too. The village

that stands in for Shillingbury is Aldbury in Hertfordshire

which will now become a big

tourist draw.

7.45) is eccentrically British

enough to be an Ealing film in

repertory company. An awful

village brass band is taken over

John Pardoe explains how ITV

Francis Essex's comedy The

Sunday's programmes

TELEVISION

1.20 It's a Great Life : A series for parents, including an item on fam-

1.40 Write Away: Some belp for bad spellers who cannot fill in forms either. 1.55 News. 2.00 International Tennis: Final of

the Braniff Airways World Doubles Chempionship, from Olympta. 4.40 The High Chaparral: the old

ilies under stress.

BBC 1 8.55 am Ragtime : children's pupper show (r). 9.10 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan : for Asian viewers. 9.40 Company Account: Profit and loss and the shop floor. Closedown

10.30 The Randicapped Family: Advice for the families of disabled people. New series. Closedown at 10.55. Imlian course (r). 11.45 Multi-Racial Britain : How blacks and whites are integrating with each other in Bradford and West Bromwich schools.

12.10 pm A Church to Yourself: A profile of St Peter's Parish Church,

Carmarthen. 12,25 Christianity Explored : Interview with Michael Perry, Archideacon of Durbam. 12.55 Farming: the weekly meg-

10.35 Open University, 10.35 S101 Preparatory Moths: 10.50 For students and teachers of A101; 11.15 First Years of Life; 11.40 Energy in the Home; 12.05 Countdown to the OU (1), Closedown at 12.36.

1.55 The Kirov Ballet: Repeat screening of the famous Soviet company dancing Marius Petipa's three-act ballet La Bayadere. Gabriella Komleva dances the title

role in this Soviet.TV production.
4.10 Rugby Special: A preview of
the forthcoming international sea-

son, by Nigel Starmer-Smith.
5.18 Ski Sungay: The Men's Down-hill from Pra Loup in France. And the Ladies' Downhill from

9.05 am Helping Hand: Easing the burden for Britain's disabled.

9.30 Play Guitar: Ulf Goran con-tinues his lessons for beginners

10.00 Morning Worship : Erom Loughborough Baprist Church,

Leicestershire. 11.00 Link: Advice for the haudi-

capped. 11 30 Bailey's Bird : First in a new

11.30 Earley S Bru : First in a new series of 26 family adventure storics. The bird is a sea-plane, ungainly but lovable.

12.00 Weekend World: -Mrs Thatcher gives Brian Walden the first full-scale television interview who has a searched anyone since the

and game of television programme scheduling. The presenter is former Liberal MP John Pardos

(see Personal Choice).

she has granted anyone since the General Election.

1.00 pm Numbers at Work: Maths looks at the how it has researced by Fred Harris.

1.30 Look Here: The Art, science and the West of the work of television programme.

the Ladies Pfronten in West Germany,

London Weekend

and the more advanced.

BBC.2

6.45 News Review with vispal com-

2.30 Police Five: How you can

6.15 Islam: Documentary that looks at the Muslim revival and how it has turned against America

7.15 Family Fortunes : Bob Monk-

and the West. .

mentary for the hard of bearing.

7.15 News and weather.

help Scotland Yard.

5.48 Rugby League results.

From Sydney.

5, Little Neil and after grands der are given work and shelter by Mrs Jarley, the waxworks lady. 6.00 News: with Kenneth Kendall. 6.10 Holiday: A cruise along the Oxford Canal, flotilla sailing Oxford Canal, notilia salling among the lonian Islands and the relaxed way to see France.

6.49 Songs of Fraise: The Salvation Army mission to Britain's canal people, at Brounston

7.15 Film: Fiddler on the Root (1971). Musical set in a post-revelutional Illuminary where olutionary Ukranian village where

films about Japan today. This one is about a village where arranged marriages are still the norm (see Personal Choice). 11.45 Westber... Regions.

a poor milkman tries to marry off his five daughters. On the long side, but Topol as the milkman gives the film the vigour it needs. Some marvellous songs, such as Sunrise, Sunset and If I were a Rich Man.

19.10 News : with Kenneth Kendall

2.00 International Tennis: Final of the Braniff Airways World Doubles (Championship, from Olympia.

4.40 The High Chaparral: the old western series (r).

5.30 The Old Curiosity Shop: Part 5, Little Nell and her grandfather

5, Little Nell and her grandfather

9.30 Fred Dibmah : Steenletack : Well-merited repeat showing for this study of a fearless man who has scaled the heights of his peri-5.50 Cricket: Highlights from the third day's play in the second Test between Australia and England. 6.20 Shakespeare in Perspective: Former Royal Shakespeare Company director David Jones set the scene for tonight's big production of Twelfth Night.

bas scaled the heights of his perilous profession. Great fun, noo.
10.20 Blind Ambition: The Watergate affair, seen through the eyes
of ex-President Nixon's special
counsel, John Dean (played by
Martin Sheen). Part 1 of this fourpart dramatization of Mr Dean's
book, and of his wife's book called
Mo (see Personal Choice).
11.55 Big Jim and the Figaro Club:
Ted Walker's amusing play about
builders. With Norman Rossington,
12.25 Music at Night: Final movement of Lizat's plano suite The
Christmas Tree, played by
Rhondda Gillespie. Closedown at
12.35. 7.20 The BBC Television Shake-speare: Twelfth Night. With Alec McCowen as Malvolio, Felicity Kendal as Viola, Sincad Cusack as Olivia, Annetic Crusile as Maria and Robert Hardy as Sir Toby Belch (see Personal Choice).

Granada cide with those recorded earlier in

7.45 The Shillingbury Blowers: Francis Essex's comedy about a very bad brass band and the pop musician (Robin Nedwell) who dis-2.45 The Big Match: Highlights from three of yesterday's FA Cup places the band's veteran conduc-tor (Trevor Howard). Also star-ring Diana Keen, Jack Douglas and John Le Mesurier. (Personal Choice)

3.45 Film: Father Dear Father (1972). Cinema version of the TV comedy series, again with Patrick Cargill as the father beset by two troublesome daughters (Natasha Pyne and Ann Holloway). 1.0 Bless Me, Father: Arthur lowe as the funny Roman Catholic priest. Tonight: the wedding reception that comes before the 5.30 Worzel Gummidge: A new series begins, John Pertwee plays the walking-talking scarecrow. Today, he goes on an outing to the seaside, Barbara Windsor plays wedding. 9.45 News.

10.00 Film: Sex and the Married Woman (1977). Made-for-relevision comedy about a psychologist (Joanna Pettet) who writes a best-selling sex book and the husband (Barry Newman) who objects to it. 11.45 George Hamilton IV: The country and western singer. house comperes this new type of family quiz in which the winning contestants' answers must coin-

As London except: Starts 9.00 am Numbers at Work. 9.25 Habiling Hand, 9.55 Underson Adventures of Contain Nemo. 11.00 Play Guller II. 11.30 Farming Diary. 1.00 pm Calondar. 1,25 Emmerdale Farm, 2.20 Football Special. 3.15 Film; Silver Challee 19au [Newman. 1].45 Five Minutes. 12.15 am Close. Poetry read by

Radio 4

6.25 am Shipping forecast.
6.30 Morning Has Broken.
7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye
8.00 News.
8.10 Sunday Papers.

1.15 Sunday. 3.50 Week's Good Cause. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. Letter from America. Morning Service.

10.15 The Archers. 11.15 Weekend Woman's Hour. 12.00 A Touch of Genius : Stokowski.† 12.30 pm The Food Programme. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend. 1.48 Feedback.

2.05 Gardeners' Question lime. 2.30 Play: Typhoid Mary, by Shir-Gardeners' Question Time.

2.30 Play: Typhoid Mary, by Shirley Gee.
4.00 News.
4.02 Talking About Antiques.
4.30 The Living World.
5.00 Everybody's Songs.
5.15 Down Your Way.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
7.00 Bookshelf.
7.30 Origins.
8.00 Music to Remember: Mahler,
Beethoven.†
9.00 News.
9.03 Miracle at Tubbernanog, by
Frederick Mullally.

Frederick Mulially. 10.00 News.
10.15 Dramatic Poem: America,
America, by Jill Haas.

As London except: Starty 9.00 am Numbers at Work. 8.30 Play Gullar 11. 11.30 Helping Hand. 1.00 pm Univer-sity Challenge. 1.30 Farming Gullroft. 2.00 Film: Gig! Valurice Chevalier. Leslie Caront. 2.00 Space: So. Vork.

As London except: Starts 5.20 am Numbers at Work. 10.00 Those Wild. Wild Mothrooms 10.15 Search Lat-cha 10.20 Helging Hand. 11.20 On-in a Hundred 1.00 pm Survival. 1.30 Farming Outlook. 2.00 Fum. Robbery (bilanier Baker. 4.00 Scotwort. 5.47) Lost Exands. 11.48 Reflections, 11.50

As London except Starts 8.45 am Communion. 9.30 Numbers at Work. 1.00 pm Chopper Squad. 2.00 Farm Progress. 2.30 Cartoon. 3.44 Firm: 37 Steps (Kengeli More). 5.25 News. 11.45 Pro-Leichtity Snooter. 12.30 am Weather, followed by Only a Yew Know.

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RADIO

11.00 The Way of the Mystic † 11.15 The Magic of Music, 12.00 News. 12.15-12.23 am Weather.

Associate Students' Preparatory Programme; Why Design a Dome? 9.30-19.15 Open University: Consumer Decisions; Citizens' Advice; The Pre-School Child—talking to such a black and such control of the Consumer Cons each other; Music interlude. 2.00-6.00 pm Study on 4: Kein Pro-blem; Sur levif; Poraqui: Let's Go Into Practice (6); Meditation (5) Principles of Counselling (6); Helping with Health (6); World Powers in the Twentieth Century

12.00-7,05 am Cricket : Australia v

7.55 Westher. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Mendelssohn (incl Str Quart op 12).† 9.00 News. 9.05 Records: Schubert, Wienswest: Rachmanings, Faure. Wienawski, Rachmaninov, Faurė,

Rayel† 10.00 Bach : Christmas Oratorio pt 30 Music Weekly.† 11.20 Berlin PO/Karajan : Webern. Schumann (Sym 4).† 12,00 Interval reading. 12,05 pm Berlin PO: Tchaikovsky (Pno Conc 1—Zeltser).†

Scottish

FILMS ON TV

Walken, Helen Joan Copeland.

The movie choice of the week is james Ivory's singular, metaucholy-comic, affectionate and elegaic Roseland (Tuesday, BBC 2, 9.00) a trio of stories about the lost souls who drift in the faded other world of New York's most famus hallroom. Written by

most famous ballroom. Written by Ruth Prawer Jhabvala, who has scripted Ivory's best Indian films,

it is all enchanting, though the central story is the best, with virtuoso ensemble playing by Geriddine Chaplin, Christopher Walken, Helen Gellagher and

Fiddler on the Roof (Sunday, BBC 1, 7.15) and West Side Story

Radio 2

Anglia

12.55 A Plain Man's Guide to Indian Music (2).†

1.30 Quartets (Amadeus): Haydn (op 76 no 3), Smetsha (no 1).†

Ray Moore, 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

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lapse under the weight of realisms imposed on essentially theatrical entertainments. The big song numbers still shine. Fiddler was Norman Jewison's 1971 version of the 1964 stage musical based on Sholem Aleichen stories of life in the Ukraine in 1905. West Side Story was made by Robert Wise in 1961, from the 1957 up-dating of the Romeo and Julier story.

of the Romeo and Juliet story, created by Jerome Robbins, with book by Arthur Laurents, music

Leonard Bernstein and lyrics Stephen Sondhelm.

Todays' prospects are not very Russians.

by David Robinson bright: the Czech Kachyna's genteel adaptation o Andersen's The Little Mermald

(BBC 2, 1.40); a peculiar Elvis Presley vehicle of 1968, Stay Away Joe (BBC 2, 3.30) in which the singer plays an American Indian rodeo rider; and Night People (BBC 2, 11.30), a cold-war era thriller written and directed in 1954 by Nunnally lohuson, whose script credits ranged from the Grapes of Wrath to The Dirty Dozen, Gregory Peck rescues corporal a young kidnapped

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all Tokyo's business is done in brand-new ones.

The subway journey took an hour and a half, but this still looks like the heart of the metropolis—four-lane street, fast traffic, chiefly taxis and heavy goods vehicles. We're on the eighth ring road, Mrs Suemura says, there are seven more between here and the city centre.

We turn down a quiet ill-lit street lined with wooden houses or modest size, cheek by jowl. Front gardens are a pattern of oblong steps, fitted like children's building blocks round scaled-down garages and priver scaled-down garages and priver hedges. A low gareway provides a glimpse of rivulet, stepping stones, a tiled path to a teahouse. The Teahouse of the Eighth Ring Road? Inside the Suemura residence mother flight of steps, almost a ladder, ascends to the living room. We kick off our shoes and I put on quest slippers. Mr Suemura not averse to the hearty handshake as most Japanese seem to be, offers traditional courtesies. I'm the twenty-fifth foreign

I'm the twenty-fifth foreign visitor since the Suemuras enrolled themselves in the Japan National Tourist Organization's Home Visits scheme. But I'm the first Englishman, and Mrs. Suemura is quite and Mrs Svemura is quite pleased about that: she has happy memories of her visit to Miss Ports, who taught her English in Tokyo and is now retired in Chester. We reminisce about the Rows and the racecourse and the coast road

10 Prestatyn.
Trays of nuts and biscuits, bowls of apples and straw-berries decorate the low heavy table. The room, by my stundards, is sparsely furnished. Large paper windows, framed apparently in balsa wood, slide

There are no pictures, no knick-knacks, but one wall is glass-fronted with a few pieces of pottery behind it. Some pieces are modern, some handed down from ancestors, I mention the craftsman Hamada, much admired in Britain; and Mrs Suemura brings out a Hamada plate, too valuable to be put on show. I praise the dark smooth show. I plaise the care should rexture, the pure line. Not signed, however. "Hamada didn't sign his work, he signed the box"—she shows the painted characters on the inside of the lift.

" Whisky?" Out of politeness I choose Scotch. A magnificent decanter of Suntory 60 stands on the table, but I know it is extremely costly suff. And these strawberries—in November? They're grown in glasshouses, Mrs Suemura says, every corner shops sells them all the year round.

The Suemuras are keen gar-deners. Their patch is 30 feet square, sizable for Tokyo. Tomatoes, persimmons, cherries, heans, poratoes, chrysanthemums, A rock garden of flagstones, ingeniously piled, lends vertical space to the narrow scene. Pocket-hankerchief lawn, nebble-filled pool half in and pebble-filled pool, half in and half out of the house. Not a square inch wasted. In the gutter overflow from her pool, Mrs Suemura grows watercress.

Mrs Suemura grows watercress.

Her busband is on holiday this week. "How many weeks per year?"—"twenty days"—"And you're a senior executive with Missubishi, you're near the top, how many for a clerk or typist?"—"Twenty days"—"And for the chief, the chairman?"—"Twenty days."

Signs of affluence are not obvious in this upper-income house. The British clock, with Westminster chimes, is the most prized piece of furniture. The

westminster chimes, is the most prized piece of furniture. The one refined touch is the "Japanese" room downstairs, a reminder of the Suemura's grandparents' life-style: a plain room floored with tatami matting, plain white walls and celling, cushions instead of chairs, an alcove containing only a vase and an arrangement of berried

"Do you use this room?" "Not often. Our daughter uses it. She's fond of this

The daughter, Yukoko, is culled in Aged 13, she wears jeans and sweater. Expressionless as a court beauty on an old wood-block print, she shows no flicker of interest in a guest from the other side of the world. She stares, carefully enunciates a greeting—"Good-bye"—and disappears. Four hours' homework every night, her mother says, she must get on with it, Japanese children spend much time learning the infinity of characters which make up the alphabet. Yukoko should by now have mastered 1,500 well-educated adults know 3,000 and Mr Suemura, a prodicy, admits to "almost

If they hadn't a guest, would they be watching television?
"No, we don't care for it." (I'm not surprised, Programmes are unimaginative and pitifully commercialized.) "We listen to classical music, Mozart especially, I make some pottery. We read books, English novelists, yes, but also Ibsen, Strindberg,

Dostoevsky, they're fashionable in Japan. We go to bed at 10."
Mr Suemura works from nine to 5.15 at the Missubishi buildto 5.15 at the Mitsubishi build-ing and needs at least another hour, morning and evening, getting to and fro. He doesn't use his car. He rides the under-ground, the circle-route trolley-bus ("every 90 seconds, very prompt"), the suburban railway and sometimes takes a taxi. You

and sometimes takes a taxi, you can't fail to pick up a taxi at any Tokyo street-corner.

They keep two yellow dogs, pampered but shy of strangers. The family photograph album commemorates the usual domestic with automater. tic events, with numerous pic-tures of Yukoko in kimono and obi at the Seven-Five-Three festival, with bamboo combs in festival, with bamboo combs in her hair. Conversation turns on the prices of things. "Butter, we pay 600 yen the half-pound, how much in Britain?"—"125". "And meat, what do you think?"—"well, I know a dish of roast beef costs £14 in my hotel", "Beef? We've forgotten what it tastes like. The price has multiplied by 10. Japan has no graving, you know, we have to import the feeding stuff. We can afford pork sometimes. Not mutton."

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"In Japan," says Mr
Suemura, choosing his English
carefully, "there is no tradition
of sheep."

He insists on getting the car out to drive me to the hotel. "It's nothing, it's only 12 miles." We leave the dark streets, the modest houses and mini-gardens. Off the express-way one street, and one only, is a colour-plate from the picture-book of Old Japan, with scarlet and orange lanterus hanging as signboards at bars and taverns; and maple twigs, with plastic leaves attached, bent over In

Mr Suemura remembers a Tokyo more characteristic than that. He remembers the earth-quake of 1923 which swept the old flimsy city away. A tiny hoy, he lay choking in the garden under the smoke of fires, and his grandmother told him to hang on to the grass as shock followed shock. But tonight our trip is down

canyons of skyscrapers allegedly immune to natural disasters. Traffic lights and advertising slogans (the latter. in their Japanese characters, in their Japanese characters, displaying autonishing twists of cathode-ray tubing) are closing in. So is the smog. We are briefly held up at the Chibuya interchange, through which 700,000 people pass twice a day at the rush hour. On the intersection, the electric scoreboard of the pollution counter proclaims 0.03 parts per million—Tokyo smog, like the Tokyo subway, is not as bad as it's made out to be.

out to be.

"Goodnight, goodnight, sagonara"—it's been a low-key,
pleasant evening, not quite what
I expected. Domestic life running, on the same lines as our own, the Japanese in their ordi-nary lives behaving like human beings everywhere . . . this is what one never does expect, yet this is how it always turns

"Home Visits" in Tokyo and other large cities are arranged free at short notice by the Tourist Information Centres of the Japan National Tourist Organization, for single tourists or couples.

ists or couples.

The first-class return fare, Heathrow-Narita, is £2,000, plus, so a Jaltour (Japan Airlines, 8 Hanover Street, London WiR ODR) holiday of 13 days with excursions seems good value at (from) £634. Longer and/or specialized rours are offered by Bales Tours (16 Coventry



Scene outside a Tokyo shrine.

Street, London W1V 8BL), Speedbird Holidays (57 Vic-toria Street, London SW1H 0HG) and Swan's (237 Totten-ham Court Road, London W1P 0AL) at (from) 5700-61,600. At least one British tour operator—Meon, Petersfield, Hampshire—does a cut-price return flight for 5513 for the independent traveller.

The booklet — Travel in Japan, free from Japan National Tourist Organization. 167 Regent Street, London W1R, shows how living, eating and being entertained in

Tokyo needn't cost the earth.
Of recently-published travel books, This is Japan by Colin Simpson (Angus & Robertson) is among the livelier and most practical. The official Guide to Japan (Japan Tourist Bureau China (Languar) Inc) is a masterly compendium with many large-scale maps, available from the Japan National Tourist Organization (address above) and costing 5,000 yen—about £12. The best months for a visit climatically are November and April.

Leslie Gardiner

Collecting **Accessible art**



Etching from the Jolly Corner by Peter Milton.

The Francis Kyle Gallery in Maddox Street, W1, sells contemporary paintings, drawings and prints. It is only a year old and is distinguished from the other contemporary galleries a little farther to the south and east of London's West End by the fact that all the artists shown by Kyle work in the figurative mode and that the prices fell in an accessible range, mostly between £50 and

For many years owners of contemporary art galleries have lamented at there being no British private collectors in-terested in the field—that they could sell only to museums or foreigners. Kyle seems to be quietly turning this maxim on its head. If you offer work that they like at accessible prices, there are plenty of British collectors.

In deciding what works to show Kyle follows his own taste. He has a penchant for Surrealism, for humour, for literary allusion but above all for technical mastery of a medium whether it be oil, watercolour, etching em-broidery, collage, or airbrush painting—all of which he has shown in the series of 15 exhibitions crammed into his first vear. He says that his aim is to create a particular climate in the gallery, with an emphasis on younger British artists.

He is very much returning to the traditional concept of dealer-artist relationship, role being to nurse his artists to fame and fortune — and to keep supporting them through bad times. This means more than holding periodic exhibitions. He keeps a stock of all his ertists' work and there are usually one or two examples hanging whatever the exhibition of the month may be. He publishes and retails prints for some; he has arranged for the work of three of his artists to be used by large commercial companies for postcards and greetings cards. He likes to create events readings of an create events, readings of an artist's poems to coincide with an exhibition, for example, while he encourages and supports any publication of his

ertists' work in book form. Since so much is going on, a rie is a true neir of the wisitor tends to come to the gallery to see one artist's work and find himself beguiled by a whole lot of other things. The side, wild moorland and water-

first time I met Kyle I had been tempted in by the science ficairbrush paintings. But I came away a devoted fan of John Digby's collages. Returning to talk to Kyle about Digby's work, I dis-covered Ian Gardner's land-

scape watercolours. Last week I was back to discuss writing about Digby and Gardner, when I met Janet Haigh's canvas em-broideries and other alluring.

Digby has, in a sense, created a new, personalized art form. And one, moreover, which it would be difficult for others to imitate, because he works from a vast collection of late nineteenth century steel engravings. These are his raw material, and from them he cuts and creates new Surrealist images. He owes a debt to Max Ernst who also used engravings in collage. He has a particular penchant or birds and animals, having worked for some time at London Zoo. Most of his birds are cut from landscape prints, though some feathers, beak and claws will be added from else-

Digby is also a poet and it is characteristic of the way Kyle likes to work that he should have seen that the pubsnown nave seen that the pub-lication of a book of poems with Digby's own collages illus-trations, "Sailing Away from Night", should coincide with an exhibition of his work—and that an evening party with a poetry reading should be arranged at the gallery. His collages are mainly priced be-tween £60 and £120.

However, it is Ian Gardner's watercolours that have proved the autumn's major success with Kyle's new and growing clientele. At first the collectors who patronised Kyle tended to be young executives from the out and impressions of his most media or advertising, but they are now increasingly drawn from the professions, barristers, doctors, etc. Perhaps this more conservative slant helps explain Gardner's success. His autumn exhibition of some 60 watercolours, priced between £110 and £300, was completely sold

out. He is a true heir of the

falls, skies with scudding clouds. Gardner has many poet friends and has worked with them publishing prints inspired by their poems. This again ties

close association of poetry and painting—as in the work of Turner or Blake, for instance.

Before Christmas Kyle was running two exhibitions simultaneously. Upstairs was the work of John Glasban, the little sketched and written histories of "Genius", familiar to all Observer readers.

Downstairs, there was a showing of small embroidered pictures by Janet Haigh. These are curiosities which deserve a following—and are gaining one to judge by the red "sold" labels. She embroiders in coloured wools concentrating particularly on cardens and particularly on gardens and using a quantity of different stitches—which is not usual when working on canvas. Some of her most successful gardens are seen through half-open win-dows (also embroidered). They cost in the £150 to £300 range.

im into a British tradition, the

On January 29, Kyle opens his first exhibition devoted to the American etcher Peter Mil-ton. Milton, who was born in 1930, already has a legendary reputation among print enthubeen known to spend a whole year on a single etching. Working with an extraordinary variety of texture, his complex images are part surrealist, part dream; he is interested in time, the American past is memories of childhood

Mikon is interested in his work becoming known outside the States and is allowing Kyle to charge less than usual for his work, while providing artists proofs of engravings whole edition has already sold femous prints from his own personal stock. There will be artist's proofs for sale of his etching series inspired by the Henry James short story, "The Henry James short story, "The Jolly Corner". A new British publisher, Terra Nova is producing a book of these etchings, bound together with the James story, to coincide with the show. Prices will range from £150 to

Gardening

A question of convenience

Necessity, it is said, is the expensive they are in the shops mother of invention. But some and garden centres and they mother of invertion, But some-times I fear many items are confidently launched upon the market simply because modern technology—especially in the field of plastics—has made them possible, whether the pub-lic really wants them or not.

Just after the war the conrete people tried to prove that anything done with wood or metal they could do better in concrete. My first greenhouse was a massive affair with glazing bars of four inch thick reinforced concrete. reinforced concrete.

incovations come and go over the years. We have had cartons (cardboard ice cream tubs I think they were) filled with vermiculite and seeds pre-sown on top. We had rolls of narrow paper with vegetable seeds embedded in them at the prescribed final cropping distance We had mixed flower seeds presown in some kind of plastic cotton wool and even pre-sown lawns done the same way.

We tried them all but whether we did not follow the

instructions properly, or whether the weather was uncooperative, we never had much success with them and as far as I know they never got very

Now, as readers know very well, nobody is more willing to try any new idea or item that may save time, labour or money and persevere with it to make it work if possible. Two latest offerings by Dobies Ltd., Upper Dee Mills, Llangollen, Chwyd, LL20 8SD of young seedlings of Bergonia semperflorens
Organdy mixture, young
plants of hybrid geraniums
(correctly pelargoniums) and
hybrid cyclamen make a lot of

sense to me. Last year from a pack of the seedling begonias we pricked off over 200 plauts and gave another, 150 at least, away. These seedlings come in a solid mass in a plastic tray through the post in the second or third week in April ready for prick-ing out into boxes, Jiffy 7's or pots. The young cyclamen, at about 16 weeks old are sent in mid to late May and are ready for porting to flower by Christmas. The geraniums are of the new F1 hybrid types early to flower, and very free flowering. Young plants ready for potting are sent out in late April.

The point about this "convenience gardening" as I suppose it has to be called, is that these plants need a good deal more heat to germinate and grow in their early weeks or months than many amateurs are prepared to give them. By the time we get the plants the weather is warming up and it and is not too expensive to pro-vide temperatures of 60-65°F

for them. The cyclamen can, of course, be grown along quite happily lower temperatures—say 55°F in the autumn and winter. The begonias and geraniums, of course, are excellent for bedding out, for tubs, window boxes and hanging and wall baskets. Orders for these seedlings are not accepted if they are postmarked after February At first sight these plants

may appear rather expensive— 10 cyclamen for £5.75 or 10 geraniums for £5.35 and the pack of 250 or more begonia seedlings for £5.39. But if you cutting. Geraldine Norman | have bought any of these plants Salesroom Correspondent recently you will know how development is a new type of

will certainly not be any

will certainly not be any cheaper this year.

Handling and postage costs being what they are it is not economic sense to send out a smaller pack of the begonias and if 250 or more begonia seedlings are more than you need it may be possible to share a pack with a friend or two. One tip about pricking out the begonias If you are using lifty begonias. If you are using Jiffy was a massive affair with glazing bars of four inch thick
in our little world of hortiulture we have seen many
necovarions come and a factorians. It you are using jirry
7's, peat composts or peat
blocks do not have the peat too
wet; best to have it on the
drier side and water the seedlings in after pricking them out Sutton Seeds Ltd., Hele Road, Torquay, offer seedlings of the large double tuberous begonias, "Nonstop Orange" and their FI Hybrid mixture of cyclamen. In each case 10 plants are offered at £4.50, for the begonias for despatch in early May and at £4.75 for the cyclamen in the third week of May. No orders will be accepted after January

Among the vegetables, of course the "convenience" tip has been for me, over many years, to grow onions from sets, the tiny onion bulbs we plant in March. I like to get them in as early as possible if the soil is workable. I also like to order them early because sometimes the best quality sets have been scarce. If they arrive before you are ready to plant them keep them in a cool but frost free

The variety "Sturon" has done best with me over the last

five years. In the seed trade much attention has been paid to storing and packing seeds under conditions that will ensure that they will retain their viability for as long as possible. Also most firms offer a limited range of pelleted seeds. These are of pelleted seeds. These are mainly very small seeds which have been coated with an inert clay substance to make them easier to sow. They may be placed individually at the final spacing for the plants, thus eliminating the work of thinning and avoiding disturbance to the roots which thinning

usually involves.

Some gardeners have had failures with the pelleted seeds usually because they fail to ensure that the clay coating was really moistened after sowing, by a copious watering and kept moist until the seed germinated. Now for a few recent introductions among the flower seeds. We have been delighted with the F1 pansies. We have grown several varieties-Sunny Gold and Imperial Light Blue, Golden Champion and Azure Blue, all without a blotch. The latter two are flowering now will no doubt flower on and off all winter and make a splendid show all summer.

Ltd, London Road, Ipswich, IP2 OBA, have introduced a remarkable new sweet pea which has been given the unfortunate name of Socopea. has no tendrills. It makes a dwarf bushy plant needing no stakes and produces large flowers in generous quantities and in a good range of colours. It has won a number of awards including the NSPC silver cup which was last awarded 30 years ago and is given for an outstanding contribution to the development of the flower ". The flowers are suitable for

Another and very promising

long stemmed sweet pea derived from a combination of the Spencer and Galaxy types and offered by Unwins Ltd, Histon, Cambridge. Two varieties are offered this year—'Silver Wedding' white, and 'Nancy Colledge' cerise-pink. They are very vigorous and carry a good number of flowers on a stem.

There has been so much activity, mainly American, in the breeding of marigolds (tagetes)—African, French and Afro-French—that it is really now only a matter of really now only a matter of paying your money and choosing what height shape and colour you desire. But the Fi Afro-French hybrids which do not form seed and are very floriferous and long flowering are now ery popular—varieties like Gold Bullion" and "Red Seven Star 4.
Of the tall African types

or the tall African types, again there are many to choose from and the new "Golden Hawaii" rich golden orange has odourless foliage which may commend it to those who find the odour of tagetes foliage offensive. Personally it has never worried me bec you only smell it if the foliage is handled and I did not find it all that unpleasant. Jobs for January

For many folk 1980 is getting off to a poor start because it so many areas the ground is too wet to work. But, who knows, we may be in for a dry time, or even a cold time with frost and snow so that soils may have a chance to dry out. Snow is often the gardener's friend A foot of snow is only equal to an inch of rain. It protects many plants from searing winds and frosts. It has been said that "A mantle of snow is like a mother to the earth but if it stays too long it is like a mother-in-law". Anyway we must try to finish clearing up the fallen leaves, prick over the ground in beds and borders, working in some organic

fertilizer as we go.

Finish pruning fruit trees and
if not done in the past two
years apply a tar oil winter

Dig vacant vegetable plots, working in manure, or when necessary lime.
Bring bulbs in pots or bowls indoors when they have made sufficient growth. Cut stems of forsythia and ornamental cherries to open

their flowers indoors. Obtain seed potatoes and set them to sprout in trays in a light frost-free place. Under heated glass sow sweet peas, antirthinums, begonias and geraniums. Also onions

and tomatoes. Check all produce in store, watching for signs of mouse damage and remove anything that it is rotting. Watch too for signs of mice

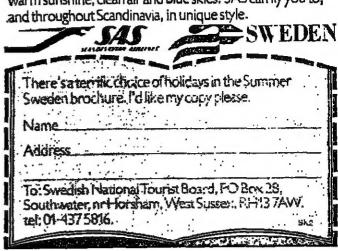
frames and under cloches. They dig down from abovethey do not tunnel sideways so it is often easy to see if they are attacking peas or broad beans under cloches, I find a broad bean seed on a trap is as good as any bant. Check ties on wall plants

and stakes and ties supporting young trees. The recent gales may have loosened or broken some. If young trees or bushes have been rocked about there may be a hollow all round the base of the trunk. Fill this in and tread it firm, because if it fills with water which freezes, this could kill the tree or bush

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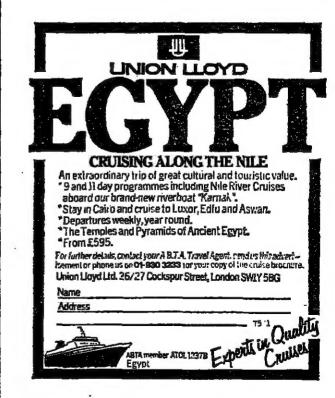
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a century—they are always on the lookour for deals where the declarer's handling of suit distributions shows that he

possesses the unique reasoning

after refreshing my memory, I am taking my readers back more than 20 years to the

period when an international

master. was recognized by his technical accomplishments

more often than by his accuracy

in bidding, and the only conven-

tions in regular employment

were Stayman and Blackwood.

With these two exceptions both

bidding and play developed

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The game was going to

Conquering

the other day, promptly left for

Athens some time or other.

No less a person than the Duke of Wellington came to live there after his first marriage and it is said that,

returning from the battle of Waterloo he landed with his forces on Hastings beach.

forces on Hastings beach. Wellington was, as I have been told here, also a chessplayer and the question arises, was that visitor on the only other memorable date in English history, William, Duke of Normandy, also a chessplayer. 1066 and All That, invaluable as an all-round source in so many respects of historical information or misinformation, omits to mention this.

information or misinformation, omits to merition this.

But we in the chess-world have many other memorable dates and have substituted the line "Souls of chess-masters dead and gone" for Keats's address to the poets. There is, in the first place, 1895, when one of the strongest tournaments ever to be held not just in this country but in the whole world, took place at Hastings. This was the one which contained such historic figures as the world champion, Emanuel

Hastings

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depend in the first place on the opening lead. If West had led his singleson VJ, declarer led his singleton. VJ, declarer would have covered and then had no problem in holding the lefence to three tricks. West grasped how foolish it would be to open a major suit when North's Stayman asked for a major response. He therefore decided that his best attack must be a club because East had there had be his double where had shown by his double where his tricks fay. He led the \$5; so declarer won with the \$A and discarded dummy's two remaining clubs on his top dia-Unfortunately for this plan East ruffed the third diamond, and declarer was stranded with two losers after East had how cashed his A, forced out ing.

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Bridge writers have one custom dummy's \$5 with a club and No score; dealer East. which they have shared for half produced this position: 0 09765 Š -

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How did declarer avoid losing two tricks in hearts? This is where East's double of North's Stayman enquiry gave declarer the inspiration which he required, for it told him that West was unlikely to have the hearts in one hand against CK. The play of the first six me." tricks gave a count of the distributions; West was marked with six diamonds and three

spades and hearts were divided. For him to succeed in losing is how to cope with a 4—1 one heart only he must find break in hearts.

West with the \$\infty\$10 bare or Since you have placed the with a singleton honour; in the guarded \$\infty\$K with East, he will latter event he could not afford over-ruff dummy if West has to play \$\infty\$A and another heart four hearts, and the contract from his hand. So he concluded again becomes impossible. So

assisted the opposition. The greatest combined analyst and player of my era is Jean Besse who has represented both France and Switzerland. Following upon the declarer's successful play in the last deal he produced for my benefit a couple of hands to prove that there was hands to prove that there was usually one way only of playing the dummy which brought about the optimum result. When there has been no opposition bidding, the declarer must always be guided by logic in ensuring that he adopts the safest line of play. The following deal illustrates how his mind should be working.

and leads a third heart. So the contract can only be made when the ΦK is with east and, either the bearts are divided 3—2 with spades not worse than four in one hand, or East has four hearts and the spades break 3—2. How many declarers reason in this fashion?

Edward Mayer hands to prove that there was

Dobell, whom I knew as a boy

a gentle man with a great firm-ness of purpose where the furtherance of his two great

passions, chess and music was concerned. He must have been

figures as Rubinstein, Euwe, Marcoczy, Alekhine, Vidmar, Tartakower, Marshall, Colle,

Capablanca, Flohr, Fine, Resh-evsky and Szabo to give a selec-tion of the names of the leaders

Nowdays, since there no longer exists a Hastings Sym-phony Orchestra, one has to

Concerto with one of the symphony orchestras based in London. But there is stil much

smaller amount of music,

masters, Jonathan

Orchestra.

0 4 2 7 K 5 5 0 10 6 2 possesses the unique reasoning powers which distinguish champions from lesser players. The most imaginative plays that I can recall were not first published in this country; they appeared for the first time in America, France, Sweden and Switzerland. So, after refreshing my memory. I

West opened the &Q and declarer should reason in the following way: "I cannot afford to lose a trump because I cannot escape from losing a heart even if the OK is bare. If I lead trumps before hearts I may even find myself losing two hearts if there are four

Taking this preliminary conclusion to heart, your first assumption must be that the AK is with East, for otherwise clubs originally, so all was there is no prospect of making the contract except in the remote contingency that the K is bare. The next question going to depend on how the

that his only chance lay in leady you assume that, at the worst, ing the \$Q\$ from dummy and East has four hearts and concedes a heart. If West ruffs the second heart declarer finesses the \$Q\$ and plays two rounds of trumps only. He must leave a spade in dummy in order to ruff the last heart. If West discards on the second heart, dummy's '7K wins. Declarer leads a low spade finessing against the \$K\$ leaving the \$Q\$ in dummy in order to over-ruff West) and leads a third heart.

So the contract can only be

Edward Mayer

Defence. 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 3 N-QB3 B-NS 2 P-QB4 P-K3 4 P-K3 8xN ch

5 Px8 P.O3 7 N-K2 P-84 6 B-O3 D-O 8 D-O P-K4

A really horrible move that

Opening up a diagonal for White's QB and thereby greatly facilitating White's K side attack. But he has little choice; White is threatening to win one of three pawns (the QP or the QBP or the KRP) and if 11..., Q-K2; 12, NxN ch, followed by 13. BxP ch.

Since this does not in the end save the pawn he might as well have played 12..., B-B3; 13. NxN ch, QxN; 14. BxP ch. K-R1; 15. P-Q5, B-Q2; with some faint counter-chances.

But now it must be said, to copy the nice, but perhaps over-thetorical statement of a rather better writer, that "the rest is silence.



Harry Golombek

tained such historic figures as the world champion, Emanuel Lasker, his predecessor in the title, Steinitz, and both heads of opposing schools of chess, Tarrasch and Tchigorin. The first prize winner was none of these but Pillsbury who came like a second Morphy to conquer Europe.

Despite all these great names the gentle spirit that haunts the Hastings beaches with a sort of saint-like splendour is that of a chess-player with no pretentions to being more than a second-rate appateur that of Mestel, Jonathan Speelman and Robert Bellin.

For almost overflowing good measure we have the remarkable 14 year-old Nigel Short who tied for first place in the last British Championship along with John Nunn and Robert Bellin, only to lose out on the title, along with Nunn, because Bellin had the best Sonneborn-Berger point count. He started off badly by losing terribly to Jonathan Speelman, but he seems quite unshaken and I have no doubt he will derive more benefit from this hard loss than from many facile victories on a local or even second-rate amateur that of the late H. E. Dobell who con-ceived the idea of holding the great 1895 tournament whilst walking with a friend on the Hastings promenade. victories on a local or even

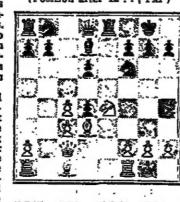
White: J. Speelman, Black: N. Short. Q. P. Nimzoindian

when I went to play in the British Boys Championship at Hastings in the late 1920s was Rather rigidly played: he should wait till White induces this move by playing P-QR3 and play either 4... 0-0 or 4... P.B4.

When the astronomer Patrick Moore, after a brief but enter-taining speech in which he opened the fifty-fifth Hastings International Chess Congress and the Hastings Municipal Symphony the other day promote helps for the oth Not a bad move; but more precise was 8.., N-B3. As will soon be seen, Black only gets to play this Knight move when it is too late. 9 N-N3 R-K1 10 Q-B2 5-Q2 77

Liverpool where he was due to play some xylophone solos with the Liverpool Phikharmonic orchestra, I reflected on the great number of diversified and colourfully relented people who had either made Hastings their home or had visited that second. merits even more than two query marks. Again 11... N-B3 OB by P-QN3 and B-N2. one could watch such great

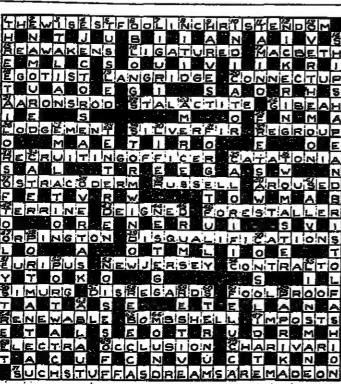
in tournaments of that period.
Whilst later on in the day one could listen to the works of Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert and Brabms and quite a number of the English school as well. make do with rarer fare from visiting orchestras—I believe the next one here is on Jan-uary 12 with Tamaz Vasary playing Beethoven's 1st Plano



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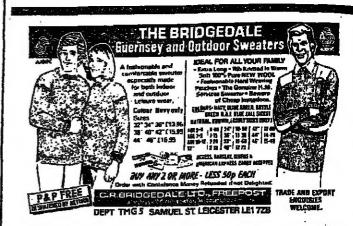
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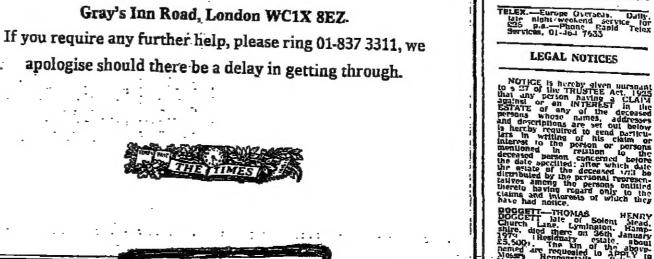


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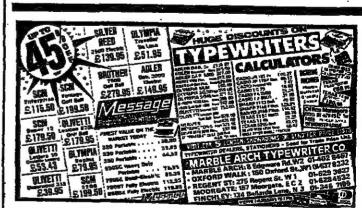
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Instead of the old sofa and two chairs three-piece, the American walnut with yew trend is towards two and facings which will mellow three seater sofas, combined into gold, and costing around with single chairs. You can vary your permutations on "In this country we have this theme according to the reproduction furniture and amount of space you have, antique furniture, but very and the single chairs come little really nice modern with low backs or with craft-based cabinet furniwings. Flying in the face of ture", says Mr Hayes. "We want to produce a as Ladies and Gents chairs been buying shoes regularly range that will appeal to and if you don't feel you fall





Regency-style demilune Carlton House writing table in rosewood with satinwood inlay and brass mounts, £6,555 and Chippendale-style ladder back carver, £615.25 by William Tillman, shown with an original long case clock, c 1780, £4,350. All at Mr Tillman's new gallery at 30 St James's Street, London W1.

"What I am trying to prove is that my furniture is better than the originals", he says. "My pieces will not be affected by central heating, damp, hor dishes, all sorts of conditions that would cause the original furniture to warp, crack and stain. I

From anyone else that might sound inordinately arrogant. But for one thing Mr Tillman is endowed with 6ft 5in of totally unassuming charm and for another, he does know what he is talking about, having started restoring antiques when he

He began to make his own dining tables in 1958, which he sold to friends in the trade for £48. The same pieces today are selling for £800 and five years ago, he decided to give up the restoration side of his business in order to concentrate on

He specializes in reproducing designs from the finest period in English furniture, from 1770 to 1820, and anyone who mourns Street, London, W1. Side by side with original antiques of the period, he is showing his reproductions, made by the young men he has trained. Their work is so fine that his company has three times won the Showpiece of the Year Award at the International Furniture Show. The woods used are kiln dried so that

visit his new showroom at 30 St James's

they have a much lower moisture content than the traditional air-dried timbers. Table rails are of solid mahogany, while the originals would have been worm-prone beech. Surfaces are finished with a clear lacquer and then polished with beeswax. It is only fair to say that the effect may be a little too shiny at first, but any piece of furniture takes many years to acquire a patina and judging by a table made 13 years ago, now in the showroom, these reproductions will mellow with age, just as

their original counterparts did.

Prices start at £721 for a Sheraton-style oval dining table, £1,959.60 for a Sheraton style chiffonier in mahogany, banded with satinwood and decorated with marquetry fans. You could pay up to £6,500 for a particularly magnificent table. If this seems high, consider the man hours put into each piece, the diminishing quantities of really fine antiques and the price you would have

to pay for them. You may also like to know, although Mr Tillman was too modest to tell me himself, that his furniture is in the homes of Princess Grace of Monaco and Princess Beatrix of the Netherlands, and that he has restored furniture for the Queen Mother. And when he made a desk in 1976 for a lady's Chelsea home, a friend told him that it was destined for high office. He was right. When Mrs Thatcher moved to 10

Downing Street, the desk went, too.

Traps in the Christmas Quiz

I had a white Christmas, even if nobody else did. Only mine consisted not of snowflakes, but of postcards. I hoped you would enjoy my Christmas present quiz, but I didn't expect quite so many entries many thanks to the hundreds of you who took

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et lising.

Nobody got all 16 answers right and most of you came unstuck over the Prince of Wales. Your favourite choice for him was a chestnut hunter and 24 hours' sleep, several of you have a romantic view of him as a gifted pianist and one entrent even thought he might like a couple of grandchildren, which does seem to be jump ing the gun slightly.

The right answer, as explained, was an "educated guess" by Tim Heald, who has written a biography of Prince Charles. Because of the Prince's love of flying and because his mother's Andovers are "terribly out of date", he suggested the executive jet.

The first six readers who had the greatest number of right answers were Mrs D. White of Hunstanton, Nor-folk, Mr H. C. Begg of Edinburgh, Melanie Symonds of London, Mr Mark Winston of Twickenham, Mrs Kenneth Croston of Cambridge and Mr Richard F. Meade of Ashford, Kent. Congratulations. Two bottles of Veuve Clicquot champagne will be sent to you immediately.

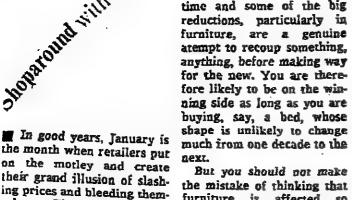
The correct answers were A-5, B-13, C-1, D-12, E-9, F-7, G-2, H-15, I-8, J-6, K-4, L-14, M-11, N-3, O-10.

For those of you who missed the quiz and haven't the least idea what I am talking about, sixteen famous people were asked what they would like for Christmas, complete carte blanche, and these were their answers:

Alan Coren wanted the editorship of The Times; Major General Sir Guy Salis-bury Jones, a bottle of champagne and a good cigar; the Prince of Wales was guessed to want the executive jet; John Asprey, a chestnut hunter and 24 hours sleep; Lord Richard Newport Apsley House and Hyde Park so that he could have his own farm in the middle of London.

Donald Sinden wanted what he was going to get-two granchildren; John luman, a theatre of his own; Penelope Keith a garden pond with running water, irises and some nice fish; Andrew Grima, a silk farm in Italy, an orchid farm in Hawaii and a pearl farm in Australia; Jacqueline du Pré, an evening of Victor Borge records; Sue Lawley, the gift of being able to play the piano.

Beryl Bainbridge chose meals on wheels two nights running, while watching the Sinking of the Titanic one night, and the Towering Inferno the next. Arianna Stassinopoulos, complete and utter order; Elizabeth Frink, Museum, the City Museum, an all-weather tennis court Bristol and is also in the month in the Greek Islands. New York.



the mistake of thinking that furniture is affected so slowly by fashion that it is a safe buy, particularly if your taste inclines to the knock 50 per cent off a modern rather than the special delivery of tee shirts antique. Pine, for instance, has had a good, long innings and will not top the popprinted by mistake with "I ularity polls for ever. Buy a pine chest if you adore and didn't notice the gradual

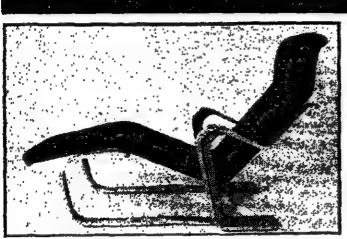
will last-classic simplicity. When money is short, they insist on quality.

years ago.

"They will pay £40 for a pair of shoes which used to cost £8, because they have



Left: The softer look in unit furniture. Single units cost from £196 to £286, according to fabric, and there are matching corner units, two and three seater sofas and stools. Called Eclair, by Collins and Hayes, to order from Major Collins and Hayes stockists which include Heals and Harrods in London, Rackhams, Birmingham, Kendal Milne. Manchester. Right: Classic comfort in leather. From the Corniche range by Collins and Hayes, it costs £680 and is available in other fabrics from £257. To order from the same stockists as Eclair.



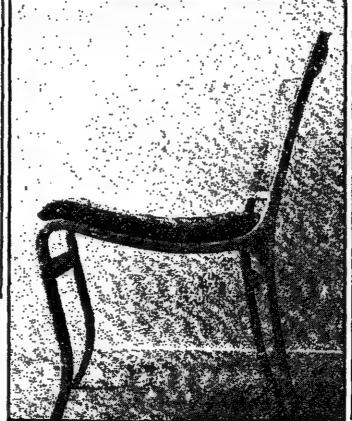
Hand-crafted version of the famous mass-produced isokon long chair of the 30s, £389 from John Alan Designs, 75 Parkway, Camden Town, London NW1, and 4 Harcourt Road, Coldharbour Road, Redland, Bristol.

The Isokon long chair may sound as dead as the Dodo, but is not, thanks to a lone Bristol craftsman. Originally designed in the 30s, by Marcel Breuer of the Bauhaus school, it was one of the first pieces of furniture to be made from thin laminations of wood. Its other claim to fame was that it supported every part of the body and was described as the most comfortable chair in the

It eventually became so expensive to mass-produce that it almost became extinct, but John Webber, of John Alan Designs, was determined to find alternative production methods. He tried several large companies without success, but eventually met Eric transport, will mean new methods will be Gammon, a cabinet maker in needed to reduce the size and weight of Redland, Bristol, who developed his own way of producing the chair.

His one-man production line now turns out three hand-built versions of the chair each week. It is available in beech or rosewood able in beech, £389, or rose-wood finish, £419, with a choice of two fabrics, charcoal grey or mid-brown wool, from John Alan Designs, 75 Parkway, London NW1.

Examples of the original chair, which is acknowledged to be a classic, can be seen in the Victoria and Albert and Sir Geoffrey Howe, a Museum of Modern Art in



at £150, or in customers' own fabrics. From Libertys, Regent Street, London, W1. New Dimension, the company which has developed its strength in medium-priced modern furniture, feels that there will be two major influences on design in the 1980s-comfort and oil prices. People will

Right: Fine Swedish design

back and leather seat at

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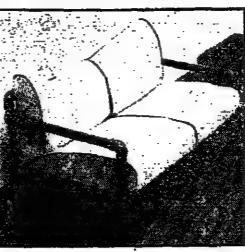
furniture for easy transport. With comfort will go softer shapes, even in storage units. The rectangular and purist lines of the 1970s were successful in Europe but never really appealed to most British tastes, and although it is not yet technically possible to mass produce chipboard with softer lines, this will eventually

have more time to spend in and on their

homes and the cost of oil, and therefore

come, they feel. New Dimension also expect bedroom storage to follow the lead set by kitchens, which have been changed completely from the stark and clinical look by the new wood finishes. The days of yards and yards of white melamine are over, they say, as is pine. The successors will be interesting new coloured finishes and wood veneers in warmer shades like ash, yew and beech. A great deal of work is already going on in Sweden to develop veneers of these kinds.

The proposed fire regulations for upholstered furniture is also bound to have an effect. From June 1 upholstered furniture which does not pass a test making it resistant to smouldering cigarettes will have to carry a warning label saying that the fabric will ignite and asking users to use smoking materials with care.



Two seater sofa, £135, from a new range of flame retardant foam furniture designed by Dennis Groves and available from his studio at 9 Sicilian Avenue, London WC1.

From December 1981 it is proposed to make it an offence to sell any such furniture. This may mean that more wool upholstery will be used, which is more fire resistant than cotton. The chemical companies are also working on the development of new resistant fabrics. As New Dimension says: "In some ways it may be limining, in other ways it may entice manufacturers

to create something really interesting". Meeting a challenge is exactly what Dennis Groves enjoys most. As one of the guiding lights behind Adeptus, the company which has specialized since 1971 in inexpensive foam furniture for young first time buyers, his design skills are now taxed to the limit by the rising costs of oil-

based foam and by the impending fire regulations.

His answer is to use a more expensive foam, which is more flame retardant, but to use less of it. Instead of making sofas and chairs with bases of solid foam, he has created a range in which he has confined the foam content to seats and backs, and-has set them on frames made of lightweight scaffolding tubing.

The tubing, reinforced at the joints for strength, has an epoxy finish in a range of bright colours-red, blue, green, black, white and silver—and the seats are covered in a cotton flax in plain oatmeal or in brown, rust or green stripes. A two-seater sofa, for example, costs £135. Customers may supply their own fabric for covering, they prefer.

There are simple tubular trestles, too, in kit form at £16.50, beds, from £88 for a single frame, with Myers extra firm contract mattress at £54, and glass topped coffee tables at £34.50—the Embassy Club ordered these with silver tubing frames, which were particularly effective.

Another new development is a version of the bunk bed, which Dennis Groves calls the Rooster. Instead of two beds on top of . each other, he has produced a table top desk area on the lower level, with a rung ladder and bed above-particularly with children's rooms in mind. The whole unit, including a 36 inch mattress costs £251.

One particular advantage of these tubing frames is that they are re-cyclable. You can buy extra tubing at £2.50 a metre and when you are tired of your chair or sofa you can turn it into a children's swing. or a garden lounger. All prices include despatch to all parts of the country.

Dennis Groves is also willing to undertake special structures for kitchens or whatever design commission you have in mind, and you can contact him at 9 Sicilian Avenue, London WC1, telephone 01-405

the month when retailers put on the motley and create their grand illusion of slashing prices and bleeding themselves. They ask us to believe, for instance, that it cuts them to the quick to originally commissioned for the Russell Harty show and love Michael Parkinson". But 1979 was not a good pine, but not if you don't increase. They even accept do not necessarily want to always have a pouffe instead.

Just put your coffee on the table ". said William Tillman, with a casual wave towards a 6ft 6in circle of gleaming mahogany. I looked from the base of my hot coffee mug to the highly polished surface and hesitated in disbelief. "Go on", he insisted, "it won't hurt it."

He was right; I suffered more than the table top. And that is the whole point of Mr Tillman's craft-exact reproductions of Georgian furniture tailored to with-

stand modern living.

allow for everything."

was 15.

the passing of English craftsmanship should

by Bruno Mathsson. His Kerstin chair, from the Dux Mobel range, has a wicker

the Soviet Union.

Afghanistan: the West's opportunity The Kremlin has grimly wrung in the 1980s with its ruthless a moment that straitened and neo-Tsarist attempt to reduce partly toothless Britannia could Afghanistan, once for all, to a or should charge off on any docile satellite. But there issuch leadership crusade. We British ministers believe-critical opportunity amid the danger of this crisis, for both the industrial democracies and the countries of the Third World, or at least its leading ones.

would risk seeming like performing midgets. But there is this fact: that a refusal to be cowed, a refusal to accept that the way things were done before means they must be followed again, are emerging as characteristics of this Government. It is not simply to wring hands, or sell new arms. It is They are certainly Mrs. Thatcher's way, and they infuse to tackle again the core, and the thinking of Lord Carrington, lems that devide and drain us-over the price of oil, the terms now emerging as a most un-con-servative Foreign Secretary. of trade, and the Arab-Israel

It is the reason why Britain has been taking the lead in tryconflict. Then together, perhaps, we might draw new and tougher lines for dealing with ing to organize some "concerted" response to Afghanistan among the western allies—the sort of thing that the Ameri-Any such revival demands leadership, resolve and inspira-tion—qualities not much in cans always complain, with sight lately, especially during an American presidential elec-tion year. But, Irritating or justice, that we are painfully slow at achieving. It is another reason why Lord Carrington, amusing as many in Britain's political opposition undoubtedly find it. Her Majesty's present team of ministers still bave their self-confidence largely justifiably beartened by the Rhodesia diplomacy, is next week making his visit to some the countries close by

Now it is early yet to guess

It is not suggested that partly toothless Britannia could or should charge off on any leadership crusade

Fred Emery

would be foolhardy to imagine that there is any grand design for large-scale constructive north-south diplomacy. We are feeling our way. But its possible that President Carter, himself much restored by the twin crises in Iran and Afghanistan, will be encouraged by any re-vival of allied vigour. At least, after the initial shock of the Soviet putsch in Kabul, we do not seem to be starting from those shrill positions of near panic, like the screams over the

supposed " missile gap " in 1960.

Instead, there is more a willinguess to accept that the Kremlin too, is capable of blun-

None or this is necessarily reassuring. But it, together with other evidence, is more assuring than if it were proven that we were in the presence of some inexorably pursued Russian plot to grab the Middle East, and its oil, and slowly throttle us into submission. That long term Soviet plan presumably exists. the clumsy way the Afghanistan affair was executed and presented, does not argue

good planning, nor does it argue good timing. The Kremlin has jeopardized its purchase of grain from the United States when it needs them most; it has cast to the wind whatever hope it had of credit in the Muslim world at a

time when militant Islam was aggravated against the United States; and it appears, from its silence, to have traumatized its own Warsaw Pact allies who were hoping for economic gains from detente. And it has hazarded the Olympic Games. And, judging by what happened after the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, it has possibly deferred a Salt agreement for

Clearly, the Russian imperative to act in Kabul was extraordinarily pressing—perhaps as pressing, to preserve what it had already "invested" there, was the American compulsion to go deeper into Vietnam in 1965 in order not to lose

Devising counter-measures to make it too risky for the Russians to try this again is the West's first task. The demand for action is rising. In opposi-

tion. Mrs Thatcher wanted most consideration given to cutting off Russia from grain supplies, from new technology, and cheap loans. Tomorrow, in her first British television interview since taking office, the Prime Minister will have the opportunity to dispel a widespread impression that, so far at any rate, the western interested in a show of wrist-

No doubt the Conservatives will also use this crisis for a particular domestic advantage. The forthcoming debate over renewing the British independent nuclear deterrent looks now to have been weighted heavily in the Government's favour by the Sovier action.

But playing the Iron Lady will only be taking half the opportunity, and the easier half. The Prime Minister and the Government should be pressed down the difficult route of seeking a new social contract with the developing world. After all, they have been shown what there is to lose by way of signing a friendship treaty with the Soviet Union.



Lord Carrington: justifiably heartened.

Soggy puzzles in Archimedes style

words in the kitchen, using tive bent may wish to note is them as egg-timers, while others tackle them on the train, on the way to work. One former champion used to solve them in the appear with the full conditions with the full conditions. wings between stage appear and programme of events. For ances, while another was won: the benefit of any newcomers to use them as soporifics solving them in his customary few minutes before going to sleep at night. It would however have required the services of the late George Formby, in his window-cleaner's role, to discover the secret of one lady solver who confessed that it was her custom to do The Times Crossword in her bath.

So temptingly sybaritic a notion may well estch on (opening up a whole new market for crosswords printed on celluloid and chinagraph pencils that can write under water) and though it may be premature to speculate on the possibility of requiring crossword championship finalists to solve their puzzles while reclining in baths of asses' milk (which should excite the median more than somewhat) a few suggestions to any readers tov-ing with the idea of adopting such a change in life-style may

Ladies who have recently named George Joseph Smith should naturally keep their wits about them minterer they may be doing in their baths. Other puzzlers are advised to ask eir psycho-analysts to ensure that they show no signs of the dangerous Archimedes Complex which would compel them to jump out of their baths and streak down the street crying "Eureka" (or if they are classical scholars "Heureka") whenever they solved a particu-larly tricky anagram. It would also be sensible of course to instruct the butler on no account to admit any visitor giving the name of Corday until five minutes after the bath-water has been heard gurgling

away down the drainpipe. Fifty years ago the very first Times Crosswords were being 13 compiled to appear first in The at Times Weekly Edition and a on the aftern little later in the daily edition with The Times Crossword Puzzle No 1 appearing on February 1, 1930, so that the pionship since 1970 will be at the control of the second crossword on February 1, 1980, which will be by the same hand that compiled the first Times Crossword, will be in celebration of the Crossword's Golden United Branching Program 1, 1980, 1981 Jubiles. Penguin Books are publishing The Penguin Book of The Times 50th Anniversary Crosswords at the same time, giving the puzzles of February 1, 1930 and February 1, 1980 and one puzzle from each of the intervening years, chosen from February in each case except 1979 when the puzzle chosen did not appear until December 14. The book will also include much of the early and the large birrow of The

and the later history of The Times Crossword. Another date which cross-

anxious to enter the lists, the qualifying puzzle is of no more than average difficulty so that there is a possibility that some of the regional finals may be

A headnote to the puzzle appearing on February 15 will state whether successful entrants for any, and if so which venues are required to attempt the Eliminator Puzzle which, if it is needed, will be the puzzle published on that day. The Eliminator Puzzle is the only puzzle in the year which is designed to defeat a good proportion. tion of solvers — otherwise is would not achieve its aim o reducing the entries to the numbers for whom accommodation is available — but only the least successful attempts will be eliminated, so that solution containing serrors may still qualify.

the National Final, consists of four thirty-minute sessions, with one normal-standard cross word to be solved at each. The whole programme takes place between (approximately) 1.30 and 5.30 pm. Competitors correctly solving a puzzle in under 30 minutes will receive time bonus points equal to the num ber of minutes saved, and their totals of time bonus points will be used to decide between comwith scores (one point for each clue correctly solved). One competitor qualifies for the National Final for every 60 entrants tak-ing part in the various regional

The full schedule of dates is The full schedule of dates is as follows.—qualifying puzzle, January 11: eliminator puzzle (if needed) February 15: regional finals.—Birmingham, March 23: Edinburgh, March 30: York April 20: Bristol, May 18: Chester. June 1: London A, July 12: London B, July 13. The National Final will be at the Europa Hotel, London. the Europa Rotel, London, on the afternoon of Sunday

Cutty Sark Scotch Whisky, who have sponsored the Championship since its inception in 1970, will be giving prizes to all regional champions, and some of their own brand of liquid consolation to those attaining second, third and fourth places, while the National Champion will receive the Cutty Sark Silver Tropby, a weekend for two in Paris and a colour tele-vision set, the next three places winning weekends for two in Paris, Amsterdam and either London or Edinburgh. Whether they prefer railway carriages, armchairs, baths or

Championship hot-seats for their crossword enjoyment, may I wish our readers good puzzl-ing through the eighties. **Edmund Akenhead**

Crossword Editor

'International Anthem' Music by Stanley Myers. Words by Christopher Logue



From the painted caves of Lascaux to the mouth of Outer Space what mortal goes so fast so far as the Mighty Human Race?

· And the speechless beasts co-operate in Man's tempestuous feats; the tougher kind he puts to work, while the toothsome sort, he eats.

On the West hand-Private Enterprise on the East—the Worldwide Plan. marching onwards through the Universe goes the Family of Man!

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Everyman: filling the black holes

At the dawn of the modern world Renaissance Everyman could aspire to a smattering of all that there was to be known. We, his narrower epigoni, cannot aim so high. Our ambitions have dwindled, while knowledge has branched out prodigiously. So those of us bothered by the black holes in our general knowledge fortify our ignorance with reference our ignorance with reference books, in case we are bored by a gribble, or need a quick re-minder of the Method of Least Squares, or have forgotten that the Kaches are Armenian fairles that should never be trusted.

While The Times was adding to the encircling gloom by imtacing Rip Van Winkle, one of our principal bastions against oblivion, Everyman's Encyclopaddia, was refortified by the publication of its sixth edition. Britannica is bigger and tries to be the repository of all knowledge presented in quite a learned way by the top scholars in their redans and ivory towers. But its new tripartite division is a nuisance; and one does not is a nuisance; and one does not always have the time or the thirst for knowledge to plough through an article of 200,000 words. Chambers sleeps. words. Chambers sleeps. Mitchell Beazley has a new structure that is more useful for looking some things up than others. Canton is for kiddles. Columbia in one volume is the nearest thing to our Everyman, which has 51,800 headwords. soom bas sacinations. and more than .eight million arranged in 12 volumes.

Everymen traces its ancestry hack by way of Knight's published penny fascicles between 1833 and 1843 for the improvement of the working classes by the Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge. After bitter litigation with Britannica, Everyman's first edition was published between 1913 and 1814 in 12 centers. 1914 in 12 volumes at a shilling a volume. The notion was that every working man should have a companion to make up for his lack of formal education, and to explain anything he might bump into in Everyman literature or the book of life itself. The encyclopaedia has moved

The damp, mild weather is en-couraging crop after crop of toadstools to emerge, parti-

bigger and more expensive. But bigger and more expensive. But it still tries to give the general reader clear concise answers free from jargon, and to be comprehensive, but not necessarily exhaustive, or exhausting. The editor of the new edition was David Girling, a edition was David Carring, a self-raught polymath in the radition of encyclopaedists from Diderot to William Smellie, the first editor of Britannica, who was Smellie by name and smelly by nature, but wrote most of the acticles himself. Giving left school at 17 to spend six years as a 17 to spend six years as a bombardier in the Royal Artillery, the last three of them at the Woomera Rocket Range,

going into publishing. He joined Dent to produce the new Everyman in 1972, His predecessor had started the process of revision by annotating his copy in a crabbed hand with crabby glosses: under Tolstoy: "Yes, but he was dirty and smelly": under the entry and smelly"; under the entry for tolls: "And what, proy, means to tollage one's vilunder Transubstantiation: "Such odd things are happening in the Roman Catho-lic Church today." To make a new encyclopsedia

you begin by cutting up sets of the previous edition into head-words, and sorting them into subject categories: the largest are always the gazeteer and the blographies, and I am not sure rare in my encyclopaedias. Then you decide how many words to allow each category, how much for new entries, how much for complete revision, how much for amendment. Then you send the parcels out to your 400 contributors (in the case of Everyment young heads of devolcanoes). They reply by respace; so you try to steal some

knowledge.

After 18 months the articles Everyman's Encyclopaedia, trickle In, and have to be sixth edition (Dent. £175)

cipline of sociology.

At the end of his marathon of general knowledge in January David Girling gasps:

"This encyclopaedia is designed as a working tool for the pro-fessional to keep by his or her desk. It provides information at the Woomera Rocket Range, where there was nothing to do but drink or read. He became a biblioholic. After the gunners he had this romantic idea of becoming an author. Instead he became a non-writing writer by coing into publishing immediately in fairly crisp, understandable form. If you want to plunge in more deeply, a bibliography is provided with all the main articles." Eight million words are not many to summarize the tree of knowledge. Inevitably such

a concise survey, is superficial when it deals with a subject one knows about Just you try to reduce the plot of the Aeneid to six lines, or catch Housman's poetry in a sentence (" small statements of regret and pain in a pastoral setting": Pshaw) Although the cross-referencing is quite extensive. Everyman really does need an index. I ask myself. do I really want to meet Merlyn Rees in my source of general

edited to a very tight bouse style for everything from Chinese characters to math-

ematical symbols for the com-puter's magnetic tape, which proceeds to regurgitate all your Polish hooks as Turkish cedillas. You accumulate a vast com-

puter bank of data, from which

one day, with luck, you will be able to extract other specialist

reference books, for instance a Middle East Encyclopsedia or

a companion to the verbose dis-

But Everyman is an elegant and handy fortification against blank ignorance until we can biographies, and I am not sure dial some great central data that I want the former at any bank to have the information we want flashed on a screen not for some time. I hope. And now, if you will excuse me. I want to reassure myself about the fabulous, indeed improbable. Chinese bird Fum, and the unlucky Evariste Galois. Actually, en passant, the volume sery sound on Henry James: "... new drama of psycholo-gical consciousness in which technique and aesthetic concerns predominate."

Fungi for keeping

cularly in shelrered places and the woods.

While they keep on appear-ing, the fungi-gournets selly forth to look for the esculent Small black "horns of plenty" (Craterellus cornu-copoides), clustering in greyforth to look for the esculent species. They carry baskets which are quickly filled even though all those that are traditionally edible need not he, like the field must rooms, favourable to look at. The lurid "saffron milk caps" (Lactarius delictosus) for example, growing in coniferous woods, look evil with the hollow, concentrically-ringed orange caps frequently exuding drops of equally lurid milk. They have been prized since Pliny wrote of their virtues and they were pictured in the frescoes at Pompeii. mouthed trumpet shapes, lurk among the leaf-mould under beeches and nake and are still less attractive apart from the wonderment they arouse when, as this year, they have been found in troops extending for many yards. Cèpes (Boletus edulis) are sheer fun in penny bun rotundity and well worth collecting to string up without their stalls in greateness and their stalks, in grotesque neck-laces in dry warm places, for preservation for future culinary

" Fairy ring (Marasmius oreades) are still coming up sparsely on lawns open to winter sun. They smell of prussic acid, faintly at first, but it gets stronger as their honorest care are dried but bonneted caps are dried, but they too are worth gathering. "Blewitts" (Lepista sucrum) will go on producing colourful fruiting-hodies after hoar frosts. They look too picturesque to use for the pot but are tasty and easy to find, like the oyster mushrooms (Plenrotus ostreaus), that bracket their way down dying tree branches and trunks.

As long as any of these can be picked while they are fresh and positively identified, they are safe for eating.

won by someone over 40. Will

Alison Ross

SPORTS DIARY

Golfing tales from Rye

Fifty years ago the entry for the President's Putter was less than half its present entry of 110 and play fitted comfortably into two days; but what wealth of talent those mild figures conceal. Sir Ernest Holderness who kept winning the event and was an amateur champion was runner-up that year to Dale Bourn who himself was to become a runner-up in the Amateur. The previous year Holderness had won his fifth Putter, defeating Cyril Tolley who later the same year won the Amateur title.

In the semi-finals with them had been Harold Gillies who, at the time, was better known at Rye for his skill in furtively lighting fireworks beneath the benches in the Dormy House billiards room than for his consummate skill as a plastic surgeon, and Speakman.

Speakman never attained such celebrity but his im- a revealing comment at the end Perhaps it is as well; such mortality is secured by the of his piece about the golf in escapades hardly suit the mood

story about him which had its roots in his victory that same year over Bernard Darwin. I hesitate to tell it because to non-golfers it might put Darwin in a bad light, but it arose from playing off the short 14th, a different hole from the pre-sent, in which Darwin's finely struck teeshot hit the green and bounced like a frightened stag far over it; Speakman's was a bagatelle stroke which bobbled its way on to the edge of the green from where he sank an enormous putt for a two in reply to a courageous recovery by Darwin which would have ensured

Darwin cursed the hole, he cursed the course which he loved so well, he cursed everyhing and ended his tirade: "And furthermore Speakman God damn you". Speakman, a mild-mannered schoolmaster was not used to such verbal pyrotechnics but Darwin, as always, was the soul of courtesy in print. Speakman he said was a redoubtable competitor and deserved to win, but he could not refrain from

general that day: "The golf was scarcely golf but a game of its own which could be skilfully and courageously played but which was at times both fluky

and exasperating ". That description fits not only the conditions of his match but that of scores of matches since including many this week. The entry is lighter in quality these days. The Blues are no longer the best amateurs in the country, and Walker Cup teams in the past 20 years have recruited only five Oxbridge men to their ranks-Alec Shepperson, Brian Chapman, Gordon Huddy, Michael Atten-borough and David Marsh.

I would not know whether the enjoyment of this rournament is as intense as it used to be. The evening jinks in the Dormy House which has remained, so to speak, the officers' mess of the occasion, are from all accounts lower than they used to be in the days when the speaker at one of their dinners was gently crowned with a willow-patterned po as he spoke by a Crowned joker emerging from the folds of the curtains behind him. Perhaps it is as well; such

of the country today. But a fine balance between good humour and serious endeavour on the course still prevails and that is a most important element in the game. For one blessed week prize money has no foothold anywhere in the world. The United States tour has nothing, the opening scene of their programme beginning next week with the Bob Hope tournament. There is nothing of significance in South Africa, Australia, Japan or die Algarve,

The golf world has ground to a halt which is one reason why
this little jewel of a tournament of the Oxford and
Cambridge Golfing Society this week becomes larger than life. In California the American robots are preparing to open their spring tour with the Bob Hope (American) tournament as we should call it now that we have a British counterpart here this summer.

Some of the more tiresome features of that big event have fortunately been dropped for the British version-fortunately that is for the golf writers. In the United States, the tournament is played over four courses and five days.

A conscientious colleague who

event remembers driving his hired care out to one of the courses - Spyglass Hill - to watch Tony Jacklin. It was pouring with rain and by the time he had found the course he had only an hour and a half before he had to send his copy, the timelag being eight hours. He watched five holes during which nothing of the slightest importance took place then returned in a bad humour to base. Bernard Levin writing recently of the magnetic qualities of cigarette cards referred to the high quality of the writing on the back of the cards which would be lost if people gave way to the natural desire to frame them. His words about cruelty to cigarette cards fell on sympathetic ears in respect

society, Mr Richard Parton. Mr Parton is something of a rare specimen himself, one of those distinguished few who joined the society after coming now grived tuoditiw bas awob a Blue. I do not know how many cigarette cards he has-I am doubtful whether he does but if swaps are anything to go by and they surely are, he has

of at least one member of the

He would not dream of sticking them into anything and he values highly what is written on the back. As a golfer how could he do otherwise? Among the many series of golfing cards—courses, players, golfing terms —are some exquisite examples of the Darwinian touch. My favourites are a series of "Can you beat Bogey?" in which he introduces three golfers who form the subject of another "Three Golfers in Search of the Perfect Course".

Mr Tiger is a Brylcreamed cad. Mr Everyman, like most of us, thought he was better than he was and became puce with fury when he was made to realize that he was not and Mr Rabbit wore a dreadful cap and was always saying the wrong

Mr Parton may in the con-text of the Putter be Mr Everyman, but as a cartophilist as I gather they are called he is Mr Tiger.

It would not be difficult, though it would be ridiculous, to surround the Big Three with clouds of immortality. A grizaled agelessness has enveloped the oldest of them. Arnold Palmer; a slight intensification of the one or two deep furrows

all that has conceded to the passage of time; while the youngest of the three, Jack Nicklaus moves, when he is so inclined, as briskly and as purposefully about his business as ever. It is salutory therefore to be reminded that last autumn Palmer celebrated his 50th birthday. As though in defiance of the calendar, he later finished third in the Brazilian Open and, hopping thence to Cape Town for another tourna-

on the face of Gary Player are

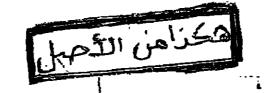
One has only to hint behind the back of one's hand that perhaps Player's best days are behind him, for him to deliver a smart snub. such as his 64 in winning the Masters two ars ago, or his four victories in a row before Christmas in his native land. The youngest

ment, broke 70 in the first

the Three remains the greatest enigma. In a fortnight's time he will be 40 and the world will wait to see whether he can still make progress in the one sphere in which he is still interested. that of the four major titles. That victory from behind of Player's two years ago was the only major title that has been

Nicklaus show us that what Player can do be can do better? This year may well supply the answer telling us whether he will continue to widen the gap between himself and his con-temporaries or whether another barren year in that respect which produced dollars galore but no ritles, might not hasten a decision which would make the youngest of the Big Three the first to hang up his clubs, In 1970, Arnold Palmer's manager Mark McCormack made a wager. He made it in print which is the safest place to make wagers. Palmer had won the last two tournaments of the American season in 1969, and his manager in what seemed at the time an excess of loyalty, predicted that Palmer would make more money in the Seventies than he had done in his heyday in the Sixties.

I mentally took that wager, though I might not have done so if I had known then what I know now about inflation.
When McCormack has fnished adding the noughts to his calculation could he tell us whether he or I won the wager?





GRAIN AS A WEAPON

If President Carter really wants and other basic foodstuffs but invasion of Afghanistan he can stop grain shipments. His Department of Agriculture is now studying the implications, and so are his political advisers. Both will find the problems daunting. It is not an easy decision. What is not in doubt is that the Russians would feel this weapon more than they feel the cancellation of visits or the suspension of the Salt debate in the Senate.

They had a particularly bad harvest last year which brought in only 179 million tonnes. This is 56 million tonnes less than the previous year and a long way below the average annual target of 215 million called for in the current five-year plan. As a consequence they plan to import about 32 million tonnes in the year ending next September. Of this 25 million would come from the United States. About 3.6 million have already been shipped. The rest is going out at a rate of about 1.5 million tonnes a week, which is the maximum that Soviet ports can handle.

At least two-thirds of American grain that goes to the Soviet Union is destined for animals. Presumably an embargo would cause animals to be slaughtered, which would temporarily increase the supply of meat and then sharply reduce it. Nobody would starve as there is enough bread

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to hurt the Soviet Union for its the consumer would soon notice that meat was becoming even more difficult to find than it is now in many parts of the Soviet Union. Added to the wider difficulties which the Soviet economy is now facing-industrial growth is far short of its targets-the result of a grain embargo would be much more than a minor inconvenience, especially if

Australia and Canada joined in. Should the United States exploit this weakness? The arguments against doing so will obviously weigh heavily on President Carter. He was rash enough to indicate during his election campaign that he would be unlikely to use this weapon, and in about three weeks the farming state of Iowa is choosing its delegates for the Democratic convention. The political penalties for alienating the farmers might not be balanced by any significant drop in consumer prices. Then there is the problem of what to do with the unsold grain. Would it be stored or unloaded onto the world market at reduced prices? What would be the effect of the extra freight

capacity on shipping interests? But the question to start from is whether an embargo would have the desired effect on the Soviet Union. Obviously there are dangers in starting a spiral action and counter-action which could lead towards a serious confrontation. The more the Soviet Union was hurt by a grain embargo the more it might feel compelled to hurt the United States in some way. Relations could unravel 100 fast for either side to control.

On the other hand there are very serious dangers in allowing the Soviet Union to develop the confidence that it can march into other countries without paying any significant price at all. So far nothing that Mr Carter has done will cause more than a ripple in the Kremlin.

(The Salt treaty was stalled in the Senate anyway, and there are certainly generals in Moscow it.) Any penalty that hurts is liable to provoke retaliation. This is a risk that must be taken for the sake of averting greater risks in the future.

- A grain embargo is a suitable measure because it can be applied gradually and abandoned easily if the situation changes and because it does not involve a direct challenge to Soviet security. Mr Carter should use it. His electoral considerations are understandable, and he might be forgiven for extending his study of the problem until lowa has made its decision, but in the long term he would suffer far greater political damage if he were seen to be putting his own interests above those of the nation and the alliance.

ON THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER

stan to ensure that the government in Kabul should hehave in accordance with Russian wishes is a direct blow at the non-aligned movement. Not all the members of that loosely organized movement will take an identical view of the Soviet action. But that Soviet action in Afghanistan touches the interests of the non-aligned world as no action against Hungary or Czechoslovakia did can escape those countries nearest nearest to the scene. One is india, the home of non-alignment, where a new government may emerge next week. More immediately affected are Iran and Pakistan, both at one time memhers of the Cento Treaty but now iceling themselves to be more identified with the Muslim world in rjecting that western snonsored alliance in favour of non-alignment. It is natural that in the fact finding tour on which Lord Carrington sets out next week Pakistan should be an

important port of call. It will not be the Foreign Secretary's aim-or the aim of any western government in the current crisis-to go on a recruiting mission round the third world of the kind that was familiar in the days of the cold war, when each side counted its allies and thought itself the more successful if any outsiders could be bribed, or persuaded. or engineered by underhand means into their camp. That kind of cold war anxiety was always mistaken and often drove countries into the non-aligned camp

The Russian invasion of Afghani- in protest. The only possible attitude now must be to allow each country to make up its own mind. That does not mean any forsaking of the principles of non-alignment but, on the con-trary, their reaffirmation. Nonaligned countries have already faced one such test at last year's conference of the movement in Havana, when Cuba tried to persuade them to adopt a favourable view of the Soviet Union, with the implication that the Russians could only, and always by the very nature of Moscow's faith, be the friends of the non-aligned. The tanks in Kabul are enough

answer to that.

For Pakistan, unfortunately, the cautious but firm response to the Russian action is only the first step. Many difficult political and military decisions are likely to follow. This troubled border has for thirty years past been a subject of dispute, with Afghanistan's claim for Pathan unity—under Kabul's patronage as Pakhtoonistan — pressed as vigorously in the Daoud era as it has been by the revolutionary government that came to power in April, 1978. Pakistan has weathered this claim in the confidence that the Pathans who live in the North-west frontier provinces or in Baluchistan are happier to be ruled from

Islamabad than from Kabul. Now the problems are much more complex with a rag-bag of anti-communist Afghans crossing the frontier into Pakistan so that Pakistan is willy-nilly thought to be implicated in the punitive measures now being taken by Soviet troops as far afield as

Bamian and Herat. If Soviet intentions are strictly confined to dominating the government in Kabul then Pakistan need not feel threatened. But a Pakistan that has seen its own unity dangerously more become diluted in the past year than at any time since Bangladesh emerged as a separate nation is bound to feel apprehensive. The frontier will now have a political current running along it that it never had before.

Pakistan's reaction thus far has been first to reaffirm her attachment to non-alignment. At the same time the need for arms has meant an approach to the Americans that follows only a few weeks after the outburst of Muslim xenophobia in the burning of the American Embassy in Islamabad. Immediately, as if touching a nerve alone rather than from any serious consideration of what this might imply. there came a protest from India. It is true that Pakistan's relations with the western world have not been very happy of late and the current crisis over Afghanistan could be welcome as a way back into mutual good graces. But that will be no departure from Pakistan's independent stand, nor should it be grounds for anxiety in India. It would certainly be no help to either country if India and Pakistan were to take radically different views of the Russian action in Afghanistan and thereby to fan the embers of an old enmity. Pakistan is well aware of this factor and the same prudence can be expected of any government that is formed in India next week.

STATE OF THE PROFESSIONS

It is a curious paradox that a decade when the disciples of Ivan Illich have been vociferously demanding the de-professionalization of our society

There is an obvious attraction of the society of the lvan Illich have been vocifer-ously demanding the de-profes-sionalization of our society should also have seen a determined pursuit of professional status by many groups of workers. Hardly a year goes by without the establishment of some new institute with its qualifying examinations and diplomas.

Members of the old learned and chartered professions are often puzzled by the fervent desire of those in other occupations to join their ranks. During the 1970s the professions suf-fered badly in both remuneration and status in comparison with other groups of workers. Incomes policies and productivity deals were not appropriate to their methods of work and pay and they saw rewards and power going increasingly to those in trade

unions. Yet it is not surprising that professional status is still craved by those in occupations which do not possess it. The professions have emerged from the 1970s with their considerable privileges and monopolies largely unscathed. The Royal Commission on Legal Services recommended a strengthening of the nearmonopoly of conveyancing enjoyed by solicitors. The Government has given doctors more

too in the self-regulation of means of entry and of standards of conduct which remains one of the hallmarks of a profession. It is not surprising that, for example, school teachers and social workers should be pursuing that particular goal so avidly at the present time. For many years the professions have operated closed shops and maintained immunities from legal interference and public criticism just as effective as those now enjoyed by trade unions.

There are, in fact, some striking similarities between professional associations and trade unions. Neither have been conspicuous for their enlighten-ment and forward-looking attitudes towards the general public welfare. Many people would no doubt still find apposite Arnold Bennett's comment on the medical and legal professions, made 65 years ago, that " their two great unions are among the most vicious opponents of social progress in

Britain today".
Yet there is, of course, one essential difference. Professional associations are bound by their

of the public and to promote the standards and development of their profession as well as to forward the immediate interests of their members. For an occupation to become a profession in the commonly accepted sense of the word means more than for its practitioners to enjoy the privileges of controlling their own entry and regulating their own conduct. It means also that they must have specialized skills acquired by intellectual and practical training, that they have a high degree of detachment and integrity, and, above all, that they have a strong sense of responsibility and an exceptional commitment to the interests of their clients which transcends all other commitments.

charters to consider the interests

The possession of these qualities has been the basis on which the privileges of self-regulation has been conferred on the established professions. The public is already demanding that trade unions be made more accountable for their privileges and immunities. As more occupations come to assume the forms of professional status, it will also be right to demand that the qualiries of professionalism are in existence before its privileges are granted.

Cost to Britain of the EEC

From Dr K. W. Hardy Sir, I, like Mr John Braddock (December 18), have become involved in a small way in a French agricultural reorganization scheme.
This is referred to officially as Reorganisation Fonciere et de Remembrement, is an essential part of their agricultural policy and has much to commend it. It is, I believe, generally welcomed by farming communities but they are critical of the cost of the initial elaborate survey, of the activities and financing of the civil servants and thanc-wasteful and often nousensical con-ditions required to be observed by the commune before they receive

their grants. For instance, in the region of which I have some knowledge, it has been decreed that all roads in the area should not only have a

tarmac surface but also be nine metres wide. This is applied rigidly and without purpose even to rural roads several miles long which adequately serve the needs of small

cottages. Obviously this is a civil servants' paradise if they are paid, as Mr Braddock has indicated a percent-age on the cost of the works they initiate.

Since we are presumably making Since we are presumably making a large contribution to finance this sort of nonsense, Mr Peter Walker might well ask to examine the French books, or, alternatively consider adopting a similar policy in our own agricultural communities. Yours faithfully, K. W. HARDY,

Rorden Hall. Borden. Simingbourne, Kent. December 20.

British Council cuts

From Lord Reilly

Sir, I should like, not only as a member of the British Council's Pine Arts Advisory Committee, but also as President of the World Crafts Council, to add my plea that the British Council should be spared its threatened cuts, for I am in a good posicion to judge that, at minimal cost, the British Council is poised to repeat in the field of the crafts its great achievement in winning worldwide acclaim for the work of post-war British sculptors and painters. Yours faithfully, PAUL REILLY, President, World Crafts Council,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Soviet military invasion of Afghanistan

From Mr Christopher Dickinson Sir, The contrast between the events in Afghanistan and the 1968 invasion of Czechoslovakia has been an obvious one, but not catirely accurate or desirable.

Mr Luns (report, January 2) suggests that "this is the first time that the Soviet Union has used its military power directly and massively in a country not belonging to the Soviet block, while in your leader (January 2) you comment on Russia's " act of unprovoked aggression against a sovereign country outside its own alliance". There seems to be confusion as to what exactly is the proper Soviet sphere of influence, if one assumes that there is one at all. Certainly it should not be covated with a military alliance, for the Warsaw Pact was formed after the West had handed over Eastern Europe to Soviet control. It is, in effect, very much what the great powers want it to be at any particular point of

Afghanistan has traditionally been an area in which Russia has exerted influence or actively intervened, over a period of time that eclipses role in Czechoslovak history: the failure of the West to react to the overthrow of Daoud, and its passive acceptance of Afghanistan's transformation into a satellite state, can only have confirmed Russia's belief that Afghanistan is treated by the West as being in the Soviet block. To see this week's events as a new and dangerous escalation in Russian international aggression misleading and to the Kremlin is probably incomprehensible.

The contrast, then, is really no contrast at all: something which we implicitly recognize in that there has been no serious suggestion (as yet) of the West becoming militarily volved. It is another Czechoslovakia. ir can, of course, be argued that the West was wrong in 1968, and that no country can lose its international rights as a sovereign state merely through a "Monroe" mentality, whether it be American or Russian. If, though, we do accept the princi-ple of the "sphere of interest" then it's most irresponsible to continue to distinguish between Czechoslo-vakis and Afghanistan—it suggests that the West is not prepared to give military assistance to safeguard the independence of truly sovereign etales.

Yours faithfully. CHRISTOPHER DICKINSON, Kent College, Canterbury. January 2.

From Mr Peter Hain

Sir, Lord Harris (January 3) followed a well trodden path in accusing the left in general and myself by name of having a "selective conscience" over Soviet aggression and brutality, in this case the invasion of Afghanistan. His accusation is false and malicious.

I condemn outright the invasion: l protested against the Russian take-over of Czechoślovakia in 1968 (in series of demonstrations organized by left wing groups); and I have repeatedly opposed both Soviet denials of human rights and their various imperialist foreign ventures. Lord Harris chooses to ignore, in addition, the outspoken attack on Russia's Afghanistan invasion by the it of the Labour Party.

The selectivity of conscience, surely, lies amongst those on the centre and right of British politics who consistently turn a blind eye to atrocities committed in the name of "democracy" by the West and its allies (eg. Vietnam, Cambodia, Chile, South Africa). And that explains why these issues tend to provoke most visible protest from the British left: we are forced to

stand up against hypocrisy or connivance by Britain and her allies in either direct brutality or denials of human rights. In so doing we often challenge the prevailing consensus in the political establishment and the media. But over Soviet aggression or repression, the West suddenly rediscovers its democratic values and trumpets its condemnation. There is consequently little need for people like me to organize campaigns when there is such a strong and broad consensus of apinian.

There is one other pertinent point. I am frequently charged with not doing enough or even anything about a multitude of important issues about which particular groups of people feel strongly-from vivisection to Cambodia. My reply is simple: to protest about everything is to end up protesting effectively about nothing. I feel as strongly about Afghanistan as Lord Harris purports to. But I haven't the time, resources or energy to organize another campaign. On the other hand, if he decides to translate his rhetoric into action and organizes one, I would be happy to consider SUPPORTING IC.

Yours faithfully, PETER HAIN, 35 Felsham Road, Putney, SW15.

From Mr J. A. Norris

Sir, Your Moscow Correspondent, in his dispatch published on New Year's Eve, has been one of the furst to draw attention to the full historical significance of the Soviet Union's advance into Afghanistan. What has not so far been noticed is that the strategic foundations now crumbling under the weight of Russian armour were laid by the Duke of Wellington and his colleagues, notably Ellenborough, 150 years ago almost to the day.

It was the Duke of Wellington as Prime Minister who gave the signal for the opening of "the great game". The strategy was to keep the Russians out of the Indian subcontinent (and out of Iran) by slowing up their advance in Central Asia and excluding them above all from Afghanistan. (Secret Commit-Governor of Bengal, 12.1.1830) Later FOY STRINGING applied the same grand strategy in varying forms and to different degrees, but always with the same

As your Moscow Correspondent noted, what is happening now brings nearer the fruition of a Russian imperial hope. For centuries Russian strategists have had their eyes on the warm waters of the south. Now they have large numbers of troops in the positions which Wellington and his successors reconnized as the most rereatening of all to the security of the Indian subcontinent. Today the Russians have reached Herst at last. One can only look into 1980 with deep foreboding about the future of India, Pakistan and Iran.

Our own experience in Afghanistan in two 19th century wars offers one consolation, however. The British and Indian armies learned the hard way that no one trespasses on Afghan soil with impunity. The Soviet forces now in Afghanistan will soon discover that for themselves; their advance guard may have learned the feurial eston aiready.

We, too, went into Afghanistan in 1839 and again in 1878 with superior technology, fire power and military discipline. We, too, appeared to have brought stability to a turbulent country, but the stability was illusory and short lived. We did better at the second attempt, but only because Abdur Rahman returned from exile in

1380 to knock tribal heads together and rule as only an Afghan could.

The alternatives now open to Moscow are harsh repres begetting more and more resistance and the risk of a counter-interven-tion, or a withdrawal as soon as one is possible without humiliation. heaving Afghanistan once more as the buffer state which nature designed it to be. Yours faithfully,

J. A. NORRIS, Devon Cottage, Bessels Green, Sevenoaks. Kent. January 1.

From the Director of the United Nations Association Sir. There is a possibility of Soviet actions in Afghanistan being taken to the United Nations Security Council. It is worth noting that if a Resolution is worded so that it comes under Chapter VI of the Charter on the Pacific Settlement of Disputes, the USSR should not be allowed to vote and consequently exercise a veto, but would have to abstain, being a party to the dis-

Article 27 Paragraph 3 of the United Nations Charter reads: "Decisions of the Security Council on all other matters shall be made by an affirmative vote of nine members including the concurring votes of the permanent members; provided that, in decisions under Chapter VI, and under paragraph 3 of Article 52, a party to a dispute shall abstain from voting."

Yours faithfully, DAVID J. HARDING. Director, United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, 3 Whitehall Court, SW1.

From Brigadier F. E. C. Hughes From Brigadier F. E. C. Hughes
Sir. As an old officer of the Indian
Army I cannot help having some
small feeling for the plight and the
problems of the Russian Army in
Afghanistan. For over one hundred
years the Army in India tried to
intervene in the political affairs of
Afghanistan. We invaded Afghanistan twice; the first time in 1838
with utter disaster and again in
1880 to little purpose. And during
all that hundred years we tried
without success to subdue the
Pathan tribes of the North West
Frontier who are, in practice, just a Frontier who are, in practice, just a branch of the Pashtu-speaking Afghan tribes across the border.

As one who has had considerable personal experience of engaging in military operations against the hill men of those regions I know exactly what the Russian Army is up against I firmly believe that the Russians have butten off a lot more than they can chew. Let them stew in their own fuice, and go on wasting a lot of military, effort to no purpose Yours faithfully.

F. E. C. HUGHES, 59 Thomas Street, Cirencester. Gloucestershire. January 3.

From Mr Colin Croskin Sir. A few weeks ago, with a great fanfare, Mr Brezhnev withdrew tanks and troops from East many. We now know where they went to.

Western policy should be clear: no wheat, no butter, no "chips", no SALT—and no Olympics. Yours faithfully, Parkfield. Greaves Road,

race and colour (very difficult if you don't know why you are asking it); of citizens who have principled

objections to answering such a question; of the misuse of informa-

question; of the misuse of informa-tion—when it is action by the authorities in a deteriorating political and economic climate which is to be feared of what value are the stronger assurances by government of which Mr Lane

As one of the members of the

Laucaster. January 2.

Answering Vatican charges Race in the 1981 Census From the Reverend N. M. de S.

Sir. While remaining as distant from Sir. While remaining as distant from Rome in theology as in miles, may I voice the secret envy that many Protestants must feel for the present vigorous discipline at work in the Roman Catholic Church? It is a thousand pities that the churches of the Reformation have discarded their historic concern for truth and are pusillanimous in their refusal to deal with even the rankest heresy in their midst.

But we cannot escape the locic

But we cannot escape the logic but we cannot escape the logic of revelation. Revelation implies truth, truth implies orthodoxy, orthodoxy implies heresy. If we baulk at the idea of discipline, then we implicitly abandom our birthright that the Christian faith is a revealed faith, and that Christian truth is comething order. truth is something other than simply the accumulated wisdom of Christian thinkers. If God has revealed Himself, in Scrinture and in history, then that deposit of revelation must be safeguarded and

preserved.

And it is this that shows up talk of "human rights" (whatever that phrase may mean) as the red herring it is. If men do have fundamental rights, their only ground is in their bestowal at the band of preserved in their bestowal at the band of God. It was Adam who first considered that he had the right to believe what he chose; and, as we all know, he was unfortunately mistaken. Learned theologians who deny truths that are integral to the Christian revelation have no Godgiven "right" to do so. On the contrary, it is the Church which has not only the right, but the dury, to discipline them and prevent them from influencing others. For a century Protestantism has refused that tury Protestantism has refused that duty. Shame on us that the Church of Rome has not! Yours fairlfully.

N. M. DE S. CAMERON, 8 Annandale, Street. Edinburgh.

From Mr J. W. P. Hubbard

Sir, The Subdean of Lincoln (December 21) may choose to characterize the Roman Carholic Church as sectarian, but there must be many Anglicans like myself who are profoundly grateful for the firm and vigorous manner in which Pope John Paul both upholds fundamental moral principles and delends the deposit of truth passed down by the Church through the centuries. Yours faithfully. I. W. P. HUBBARD. 8 Shirley Drive, Worthing,

From Mrs Ann Bone

Sir, Like the Executive Committee of the Social Research Association, Mr David Lane, Chairman of the Commission for Recial Equality (December 31), argues for an ethnic question in the census but fails to specify what kind of a policy could be derived from the information elicited in this way which could be applied without violating the English tradition of tolerance. It has already been found that

it has aready been found that blackness is inadequate as a surrogate indicator of language difficulties among children. Are there social policies in other fields for which an index of race and colour is not only useful but indispensable?

The answer has to be good to overcome the problems admitted even by many advocates of the ethnic question; the problem of just what question to ask about

Guy Liddell From Mr Ewen E. S. Montagu, QC Sir. May I briefly add my support to the refutation by Sir Dick White (report, December 31) of the latest example of character assassination of a dead man who served his country well—that of the late Guy Liddell.

Mr Mure "justified" his attack by informing you that Mr Liddell
"had deliberately misrouted information which would have warned the United States about Japan's intention to attack Pearl Hacbour". That allegation is wholly unfounded.

Mr Mure, who served in the
Middle East, may not understand the facts of that time and is mistaken in saying that the information

The PLO and Israel

From Dr J. M. Wober

labour William Frankel, David Jacobs and their friends in your the Holy Land, and actually deters the advent of peace there. Mr May-hew insists that Israel is inhuman to the Palestinians, that all Islam yearns for Jerusalem, that Israeli propaganda pours forth from west-ern sources but that it has been

Social Research Association who disagreed with the Executive Commirree's decision on the ethnic question (which was not endorsed by the membership at large), I am anxious that they, and Mr Lane, should weigh in not merely with their standing at the head of their organizations but with a fully

argued case. Yours sincerely, ANN BONE. 32 Parliament Hill, NW3.

was misdirected, deliberately or otherwise. The United States was still neutral: the OSS had not yet been formed; the only link through which most secret intelligence of this nature and source could be passed was through the FBI, then at the height of its fame.

For that, apart from many other cogent reasons, the information was passed to the FBI. That J. Edgar Hoover, its famous chief, would completely fail to appreciate its value, truth and importance could not then have been foreseen and was not the fault of Mr Liddell.

I am, Sir, etc. EWEN E. S. MONTAGU, 24 Montrose Court. Exhibition Road, SW7. December 31.

Sir, Christopher Mayhew, Lord

Caradon and others continue to becolumns in a manner that adds little to an understanding of events in quite ineffective; a supporter from Frome even believes that Israel can somehow exist without Zionism, which is as absurd as supposing that Christianity could exist without

Jesus Christ. We are asked to press for some Euid Blyton type of happy ending that will sometow settle the

and renew copious supplies of oil.
On the other hand Lord Caradon
points out that many in Israel are eager to have a humane relationship with the Palestinians, though he omits to acknowledge that what prevents them from developing this is in many ways an international insistence that they must do so by inviting into the nest that political cyckoo the PLO.

Palestinians amicably next to Israel

To herald the New Year in your columns, can I beg for less eagerness in reporting or supporting cuckoes of all kinds? Yours faithfully. MALLORY WOBER. 17 Lancaster Grove, NW3

Access to Stansted

by road

From the Chairman of the British Tourist Authority Sir, The Chief Executive of British Airways (January 3) is, of course, quite right that the option of developing Heathrow to its full potential must be kept open.
But if Stansted is to be developed

no one as yet seems to have paid adequate attention to road access to it. It is no answer to say that many, perhaps even most, passengers will go from London by train; there will inevitably be many who prefer to go by road, and many lorries too. Yet anyone who, as I do, knows the dreadful road congestion, particularly at peak times, in getting to the southern end of the M11, knows too that to clog these busy London streets with heavy airport traffic would result in an intolerable

situation To get from the West End to the start of the motorway can now take as much as 11 hours at peak times yet, so far as I can see, this-to my mind-nigh-fatal defect in the Stansted proposals has received no adequate attention. I am told the M11 may be extended to Hackney. but this would be of help to very few passengers and certainly to virtually none of our overseas

visitors. If the Stansted plans are to go ahead, the problem of road access to inner London must be satisfactorily solved first. yours faithfully,

HENRY MARKING, Chairman, British Tourist Authority. Queen's House, 64 St James's Street, SW1. January 3.

Noise at Heathrow

From Mr A. M. Rentoul
Sir, Mr Wans, Chief Executive of Sir, Air Watts, Chief Executive of British Airways. very properly (January 3) declares BA's interest in the matter of the future development of London's airports. He supports your view (leading article. December 18) that the government should keep open the possibility of

should keep open the possibility of a fifth terminal at Heathrow. BA is convinced, he states, that there are no valid arguments (including noise) that outweigh the very large national advantages of developing Heathrow to what he claims to be its full potential. On the other hand, the planning inspections of Queen's Council Courtelland. public inquiry on the subject in 1978 reported it as his view that the present levels of noise, ie with just three terminals, from sircraft files around Heathern as un. in flight around Heathrow are unacceptable in a civilized country and that everything which can be done to lessen this noise should be done. He accepted predictions that with Terminal 4 the decrease in noise levels which could reasonably be amicioated by 1990 would be less by only 1.5 or 2 noints than would be the case if T4 were not built. Nevertheless the inspector found, he said, that this effect of T4 in slowing down this enter of 14 in slowing down the improvement even to this limited extent should only be accepted, if at all, because of overriding national necessity.

Are we to understand that BA's estimated earnings from operations at Heathrow, whether £360 million or any other figure, is the national necessity which overrides a missance indicially stiamatised as unacceptable in a civilized country

Yours faithfull.
Yours faithfull.
ANTHONY RENTOUL. Chairman,
Heathrow Association for the
Control of Aircraft Noise,
25 Strawberry Hill Road,
Twickenbam,
Middless Middlesex. Japuary 4

Taking cycles by tail

From Mr Denys Bennett Sir, This morning my train was its customary ten minutes late on its 20 minute journey. It had it no way been delayed by the passenger with the lone bicycle (a British Rail employee). employee). He did not injure anyone nor

cause anyone to fall over in surprise despite the unexpectedness of his presence and the inclemency of the weather. No passenger complained that his presence was in any way irksome. Indeed he was seen to receive messages of encouragement and good will from fellow commu-

rera Yours faithfully. DENYS BENNETT, 50 Ashdown Drive, Boreham Wood.

Mr Levin's thief

From Mr George Mikes Sir. I did not pinch Mr Levin's goods outside Formums and I have goods outside Formums and I have an impregnable alibit to prove it. Yet I should like to protest against one of his remarks which is derogatory to the thief. He says he was cursing the thief "and wondering why he doesn't work for his hiving as I do". Whatever else we may think about him he certainly does work for his living. His job, indeed, it more dangerous than Mr Levin's All we can hope for it that Levin's. All we can hope for is that

he is not quite such a hard worker as Mr Levin.

And may I use the courtesy of your columns to send a second message to the thief? Will he carefully go through all those papers and should they contain notes for yet another article on Richard Wagner will be please return the briefcase, the presents, the tape-recorder but keep-for goodness' sake—the notes.
I remain, Yours faithfully.

GEORGE MIKES. 18 Doroc)iffe Road, SW6. January 2.

Monty's double From Mr H. T. Richards

Sir, We know that the late Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery of Alamein often, with justification, walked tall, but surely the coation to your picture of the site of his forthcoming stratue is some hing of an exaggeration when it refers to a
"... life-size model 14 feet high" l Yours faithfully, H. T. RICHARDS,

47 Mayflewer Way, Chicping Ongar, Essex. January 3.

SOCIAL NEWS How Christians can help a new initiative in N Ireland

The Duchess of Kent has become the chief patron of the Camphill Village Trust.

Princess Alexandra will visit Tamezin Club, an activity-based girls' club under the direction of Opus Dei, at 1 Chelsea Embank-

ment, London, on January 22. The King of Spain is 42 today.

Birthdays today

Miss Stella Gibbons, 78; Sir Frank Hartley, 69; Major-General H. Quinlan, 74; Sir Bryan Shar-wood-Smith, 81.

TOMORROW : Sir Fenton Atkinson, 74; Major-General Sir Hamish Campbell, 75; Sir Robert Clark, 56; Sir Thomas Lund, 74; Lord Netherthorpe, 72; Lord Plowden, 73; Lieutenant-General Sir Geoffrey Thompson, 75; Sir Andrew Urguhart, 62; Sir Ernest Wood-roofe, 58.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Sir John Mason, British Ambassa-dor in Tel Aviv, to be High Com-

missioner to Australia.

Mr J. G. Kelsey to be a deputy secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Today's engagements

Exhibitions: Model engineering; Wembley Conference Ceutre. 10-7; Ethnic, Haworth Art Gallery, Manchester Road, Accrington, 2-5; Costume and fashion in book and print, Victoria and Albert Museum, 10-5.50; David Garrick's bicentenary, British Library Galleries, Great Russell Street, 10-5; Tom Kidd, Scottish photographer. 58 High Street, Edinburgh 12:30-6; Sandra Hill, palmings, Middlesbrough Art paintings, Middlesbrough Art Gallery, 10-6.

The engagement is announced between Timothy, elder son of Wing Commander and Mrs A. T. Newman, of Honeycritch Conage, Froxfield, Hampshire, and Veronica, only daughter of the Hon Henry and Mrs Hankey, of Hosey Croft, Westerham, Kent. Gallery, 10-6.

Events for children: Punch and Judy, Madame Tussaud's, 10-5:30. Gerry Cottle's circus, recreation ground, Fulham Palace Road, 2, 5. Cinderella, Battersea Town Hall, Lavender Hill, 2:30, 7:30.

Film: A hundred years underground, Museum of London, 11, 2:30.

Tomorrow

Exhibitions: The Show Show, ICA Gallery, Carlton House Terrace, 12-8; Art of Hollywood, Victoria and Albert Museum, 2.30-5.30; Battlestip, Imperial War Museum, 2.30-5.30; The Great British, National Portrait British, National Portrait Gallery, 2-6. Peter Bibby, South London Art Gallery, Peckham Road, 3-6.

The engagement is announced between Second Lieumenant Jamie Hughes, 1st. The Queen's Dragoon Guards, younger son of Mrs Sylvia Hughes and of the late Captain J. H. A. Hughes, ERD, of Hampton Bishop, Hereford, and Linda Anne. eldent daughter of Mr and Mrs E. F. R. Champ, of Blackburn, Lancashire. Antiques fair: Kensington Hilton Hotel, Holland Park Avenue, Dog show, Lincoln Camine Society, showground pavilion, Lincoln, 10.30.

Blessing the plough, Parish Church, Newchurch, Isla of Wight, 3.

encerts: Tchaikovsky, Albert Hall, 7.30 Brass Band, Brods-worth Welfare Hall, Woodlands, Doncaster, 7.

Events for children: Gerry Cottle's circus, recreation ground, Fuiham Pelace Road, 2, 5, 8. Rembrandt visits Kenwood, Kenwood House, Hampstead

Royal College of Surgeons of England

The Dudley Buxton Prize for 1980 has been awarded to Professor M. K. Sykes, of the Royal Postgraduate Medical School. The Nuffield Prize has been won by Dr Norman Mark Dearden.

of Mr J. J. Wilmsburst and Miss J. M. Macfie

The marriage took place yesterday at the Register Office, Balmacara, Kyle, Ross-shire, between Mr Martin Bakar, eldest son of the late Sir Stanley Baker and of Lady Baker, of London, and Miss between Jonathan James, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Wilmshurst, of East Farleigh, Kent, and Sarah Elizabeth, only daughter of Professor and Mrs M. E. Noble, of Canterbury, Kent.

Mr J. J. Wilmsburst and Miss J. M. Macfie

The marriage took place yesterday at the Register Office, Balmacara, Kyle, Ross-shire, between Mr Martin Bakar, eldest son of the late Sir Stanley Baker and of Lady Baker, of London, and Miss Baker, of London, a The board of the Faculty of Anaesthedsts of the Royal College of Surgeous of England and Wales has Confirmed the grant of diplomas In anaesthetics jointly with the Royal College of Physicians to A. G. Qazi, G. J. O'Neil and J. M. McNamara.

The following officer cadets will join the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst on Monday:

Memorial service

Latest wills

The Hon Lady Globs
The Lord Lieutenaut of Oxford-

The Lord Lieutenant of Oxford-shire attended a service of thanks-giving for the life of the Hou Lady Gibbs in Dorchester Abbey, Oxfordshire, yesterday. The rector, the Rev R. M. Nichols, officiated, assisted by the Rev F. G. Denman, The Bishop of Ely gave an address. The Archdeacon of Oxford was robed and in the choir. Among those present were:

Sandhurst entry

of psychological theory. He is rescued from this by the personified figure of Reason who comes and unlocks the prison door and calls on all who are imprisoned behind it to come out. Some, including the hero, respond to this call and escape, but some will not. The door is open, but they prefer to

remain in prison. This is the case with very many people in Northern Ire-land. They are trapped in their own history, paralysed by the force of inherited bigotry and fear. They have erected huge barriers of prejudice in their own minds against their fellowcitizens, barriers which the light of reason cannot penetrate. Northern Ireland has never been a place where

Forthcoming

Mr P. D. Stevenson and the Hon Susan Blades

Flight-Lieotenant T. C. M. Newman, RAP, and Miss V. V. A. Hankey

Mr J. Davemport and Miss V. M. L. Westby

Mr J. G. H. Hughes and Miss L. A. Champ

Mr P. St L. Kyrke-Smith and Miss L. M. Pelly

Mr C. Padley and Miss R. J. Divers

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs D. H. S. Kyrke-Smith, of Penbedw Uchnf, Nannerch, Clwyd, and Lyndsay, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. J. Pelly, of Upper Langridge Farm, Bath.

The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Mrs D. H. Padley and the late Wilfred Padley, CMG, OBE, of Little Chalfont, Buckinghamshire, and Rosemary, second daughter of Dr and Mrs Lloyd Divers, of Market Surgery

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The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. Davenport, of Lawford Lodge Farm, Church Lawford, Rugby, and Veronica, daughter of Major D. Westhy, of Kenilcourt, Clinton Lane, Kenilworth, and of Mrs J. Russell, of Highland Road, Leanington Spa.

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mrs Alerander Stevenson and the late Mr Alexander Stevenson, of 1 Douglas Gardens, Edinburgh, and Susan, daughter of Lord and Lady Ebbisham, of The Old Rectory, Biechingley, Surrey.

marriages

ingley, Surrey.

In C. S. Lewis's allegory Pil-grim's Regress the here at denomination has recently for one point is locked in a prison instance, appointed as its instance, appointed as its chaplain to a university there a man whose chief worry is that the doctrine of evolution is being taught in schools. In consequence large numbers of people in the province assume that professing religion implies the taking of rigid, immobile positions which foster misin-formation about other religious traditions and make no attempt to understand them. Religious beliefs in these circumstances freeze into a series of blocked ice-packs fixed in an eternal

winter. But an opportunity has recently arrived to encourage a thaw, to push the prison door open a hitle. The visit last year of Pope John Paul II cannot have failed to bring about a agement to apply intellectual activity to religion, and today any such activity is more liable activity is more liable.

Mr D. R. Wheeler and the Hon K. J. Briggs

Mr E. S. Punnell and Miss S. A. Guernsey

like the present Pope as a boggy-man. He is transparently honest, transparently full of good will. His appeal made at Drogheda to Irishmen to abandon violence has done nothing to alter the minds of terrorists of the IRA, hungry for murder and not vet fully sorged with and not yet fully gorged with sations against churches and blood, but it certainly did impress many northern Protestants, even some Unionist MPs, children of fear and distrust of children of fear and distrust of and conversely the suggestion made by extreme Protestants that the Pope should be kept by force out of Northern Iretants there. The great majority of Protestant Ulstermen are too decent to subscribe to an act of gross discourtesy. At the are the chief sufferers from it. moment the extreme Protes-tants have lost the initiative and the limelight. And at this

ernment is starting a new political initiative. I want to suggest that this is the right moment for all the

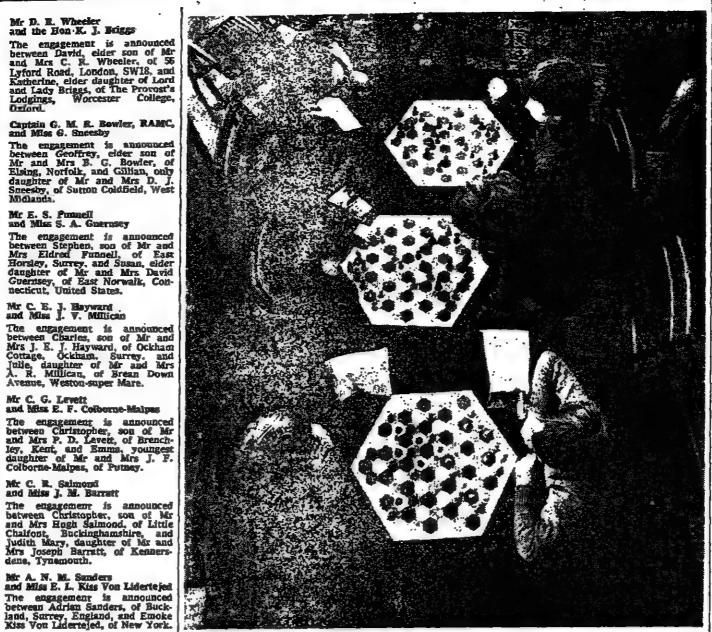
people of other religious traditions, the exaggeration of doctrinal differences between Christians. This kind of activland has not gone down well ity has hitherto flourished virwith the majority of Protestually unchecked in Northern Ireland, with few protests and little serious opposition from the main denominations, who The time has come when gent-

tants have lost the initiative lemanly silence will no longer and the limelight. And at this do. Sectarianism must be juncture the Westminster Gov-faced, identified and resolutely

opposed. If such an effort were made I believe that it would go some way towards taking the heat out of religious

devised, including such things as courses in Christian under-standing for ciergy and laity, a newspaper to disseminate information and to counter unscrupulous propaganda, and the inclusion of an "understand your neighbours" project in the syllabuses of religious teaching in schools, perhaps the log-jam of prejudices might loosen. Perhaps the prisoners might begin to dare to leave the prison. It would be interesting to see if the Irish churches have the courage and imagination to take up this challenge.

R. P. C. Hanson Manchester University



A bird's eye view of concentration during a hexagonal chess congress for gifted children in London yesterday.

Uranium: Abundant supplies predicted

Science report

By Pearce Wright

Science Editor
One of the main assumptions of the One of the many assumptions of the countries committed to the use of nuclear energy, which includes most members of the European Community, America and Japan, has been challenged in an imnensely complex analysis of world

mensely complex analysis of world uranium resources.

The main conclusion is that uranium will not be a limiting factor to the development of nuclear power. Whereas advice to the governments of most industrial countries suggests there is enough mranium only to maintain the pre-sent planned atomic energy pro-gramme for forty to fifty years,

gramme for forty to fifty years, the new assertion would more than double that projection.

The explanation for the wast discrepancy is given by Professor Kenneth S. Deffeves, of Printeton University, and Professor Ian D. MacGregor. of the University of Callfornia at Davis, in the January issue of Scientific American. That in turn is a shortened version of a book-long report they have submitted to the United States Department of Energy.

They maintain that in spite of the obvious need for reliable estimates of resources not only for nuclear fuel but also for fossif feels, metals and other vital mater-

pels, metals and other vital mater-

(public welcomed). HC, 8.30: Sung Encharlat, 11, Rord Three-parl Mass, Motet, O. Sacred and Holy Banguet, Thomas Caustun, d. 156": E, 3.50, Adrian Butlet, A. The Lord is King, Boyce Hen's Vokes at 11 and 3.30. ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung-Lucharist, 11, Rev P. Dolaney.

ials, there is no generally accepted method for making such calculations. Indeed, the basic geological data on which to make even the most rudimentary estimates of resources has yet to assembled for most minerals.

assembled for most minerals.

Over the past few years Professor Defleyes and Professor MacGregor have devised a method for making such analyses and applied it to a study of the availability of uranium ores. But their method does embrace ideas emunciated by Dr M. King Hubbert, an internationally renowned petroleum geologist, whose controversial methods of analysis in the 1950s and 1960s have become recognized for estimating global dil resources.

The history and geological

for estimating global oil resources.

The history and geological characteristics of uranium adming call for more elaborate techniques. Deposits of uranium ore have been produced by various types of rock formation, volcanic activity and geochemical action that have led to a concentration at a particular site.

There are small deposits there

particular site.

There are small deposits that are economic to mine because they are highly enriched, massive formations of lower grade ores, and reserves that are exploited only as coproducts of more valuable minerals such as gold and phosmitted are the for familiary. phate rock for fertilizers.

Because of the diversity in chemical style and geological set-ting, it is not possible to deter-mine the distribution of premium deposite distribution of premium deposits directly by analyzing for uradum in large random samples of rocks.

Even if there were a laboratory that could turn out a complete analysis each second for 24 hours a day, the work necessary for an estimate of global uranium resources would take about 30 years. That espect has been tackled in the new assessment by identifying aranium distribution in important

aranium distribution in important geochemical reservoirs and then focusing on smaller units that should have an economically useful uranium content.

Access to records of mining companies was an important part of that study. Arrangements had to be agreed through the United States Government for the data to be released in statistical caregories that did not identify individual mines or companies. But as a partial way of sparing future as a partial way of sparing future investigators the same difficulties, the full report includes a 400-page adas of graphs produced in a com-

Source: Scientific American, January, 1980.

Church news

Diocese of Bath and Wells The Rev R. C. Pennan, cursic at Bridgeware St. Mary, to be priest in-charge of Esselbary, Philadell, North-Perpott and Midsetter, 150 Rev A. J. Rediord, Radio Bristol 150 Rev A. J. Rediord, Radio Bristol and Company of Early St. Barnabay, with

Diocese of Rochester The Rev G. T. Gray, Vicar and Rural Dean of Gillingham to be Vicar of St Mirholas with St Mary, Strood. The Rec E. Poarson. Curate of The Rec E. Poarson. And assistant Chapter of the Carbon of the Carbon of the Carbon of Carbo

Chrerch in Wales

Local authority aid for cathedral triptych

Cumbria County Council is making a £500 grant towards restoration of the sixteemth century Brougham triptych, in Carlisle cathedral. The triptych is installed for use as an altarpiece. The Victoria and Albert Museum helped with restoration work but funds are still needed for maintenance and security.

MRS JOY ADAMSON

Vivid author and painter on African wild life



OBITUARY

Mrs Joy Adamson, who was killed by a lion in Kenya yesterday, was foremost among the men and women who by active lives in the African bush have brought an awareness of African wildlife and conservation directly into homes far outside that continent.

Through her books, Born Free, Living Free, Forever Free, and others which described her work with lions and other animals in Kenya, and through films based on the three named books, this Austrian-born woman won in-ternational repute in the 1960's. The story of Elsa, the tiny cub whom she and her husband, whom she and her dushand, George Adamson, a game warden in Kenya, reared as one of their family until Elsa, now a full-grown lioness, was put to the test of trying to survive in the wild—this account drew together, as it were Africa and urban Europe, and urban America.

So successful were the books and films, and so multiple the interviews, television appear-ances, and articles and other publications which went in hand

Born Free, came to be filmed . in 1971. But Joy Adamson did not rest on her reputation. She conrinued her work where it had taken root—among the people and animals of Kenya; as a painter, as much as in animal research. She had gone to Kenya in 1937, and began to paint indigenous flora in the year following. From this she moved on to study and paint and write on the tribes of Kenya; an exhibition of her

water-colours and drawings opened in London in 1972.

Joy-Friederike Victoria was born in Austria on January 29, 1910, the daughter of Victor and Traute Gessner. She was educated in Vienna, her first interests being the piano, dress-making and sculpture. She also studied medicine, but her broadening curiosity then led

her to Kenya.

She married in 1935 an Austrian, and in 1938 she was married a second time, to a Swiss, Five years later she made a third marriage, to George Adamson, and it was in this partnership that she in this partnership that she settled down to her life's work. The couple had a peripateric life in Kenya often, by the nature of their work, being away from each other. They settled first in northern Kenya, where she developed that sense the sense of t of a response from wild ani-mals which, she once said, was in some ways greater than the response from human beings.

Among her books The Spotted Sphinx and others were

a study and pictorial record of cheetahs. For the past five years she had been studying leopards in the Shaba game reserve, while her husband, though retired as a game though retired as a game warden, has been helping in a remote part of north Kenya to with them, that the vein was prepare captive lions to be perhaps running a little dry by returned to the bush. In 1978 the time Forever Free, published in 1962 two years after The Searching Spirit.

the Severn Valley and the origin of the Ironbridge Gorge, from delicate dissections and

interpretations of Triassic scorpions and Carboniferous

eurypterids to the prediction of concealed coalfields.
He wrote four notable books

which embodied many original ideas, but his outstanding achievement was his work in

his last few years on the deeply concealed structure of England and Wales, very important in these days of

frenzied search for new mineral

resources. This resulted in two special Memoirs published by

PROFESSOR L. J. WILLS

Professor F. W. Shorton The death of Emeritus Professor Leonard Johnston Wills on December 12, two months before his 96th birthday, signalled the passing of the Grand Old Man of British geology. He was born on February 22, 1884.

"Jack" Wills went to Upp-ingham School and theuce as a scholar to Kings College, Cambridge. His progress was one of continued academic achievement—a double first in the Natural Sciences Tripos, the Harkness Scholarship and Wals-ingham Medal, and a Fellowship of Kings College from 1909 until 1915. His scientific publications earned him the degree of ScD

Wills joined the British Geo-logical Survey in 1909 but left in 1913 to become Senior Lecm 1913 to become sentor Lec-turer in Geology and Geo-morphology at Birmingham University, to which organiza-tion he was to devote the rest of his working life. He suc-ceeded to the Chair in 1932, retaining it until he retired in 1949.

During that period he inspired who now hold prestigious posi-tious throughout the world. They, and indeed all his old students, will remember him for his scholarship, his delight-fully dry wit and his unfailing kindness.

special Memours published by the Geological Society of London, the last in 1978 when he was 94 years old. The Geological Society of London honoured him as they have done no other Fellow. The Wollaston Fund in 1922 and Lyell Medal in 1936 were followed in 1954 by the highest followed in 1954 by the highest award, the Wolfaston Medal, so rarely given within this country. Then at the age of 92 he was made the only British Honorary Fellow of the Society. On his ninety-fifth birthday,

the University of Birmingham presented him with a medal recognizing his special service the university and to

geology.
Professor Wills's 42 years of bappy merried life with Janet, daughter of Sir Alfred Ewing,

ended with her death in 1952. Willo's geological interests were very wide. They ranged from Lower Palaeozoic straiffrom Lower Palaeozoic straiffrom the Quaternary succession of the Quaternary succession of the Straight of the Research o

inquire into anything and every-

thing concerned with the wel-fare of birds, and was organiz-

ing secretary of several of the international conferences on

the Prevention of Oil Pollution

During the Second World War she worked for a time in the Foreign Office, and later at

a shadow factory of the Bristol Aircraft factory of the Bristol

Aircraft Company and as a welfare officer for the Ministry

of Labour in the south-west

region.

She was awarded the Gold Medal of the RSPB, and the Delacour medal of the International Council for Bird

national Council for Bird Preservation; and many other European ornithological bodies

recognized the value of her

Though always a busy woman she still found time to publish

a number of books of her own, and to translate into English

the work of French and Ger-man ornithologists.

MISS PHYLLIS BARCLAY-SMITH

of the Sea.

Miss Phyllis Barclay-Smith, CBE, the ornithologist and respected figure in the field of bird preservation both nationally and internationally, died on January 2. In a long career she had been associated with the work of some of the most notable of ornithological societies and groups.

societies and groups.

The second daughter of Professor E. Barclay-Smith, MD, she was educated at Church House School, Worthing, Blackheath High School and King's College, Loodon. She was assistant secretary of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds from 1924 to 1935; assistant secretary of the International Council for Bird Preservation from 1935 to 1946, and secretary from 1946 to 1978; and honorary secretary of the British Ornithologists' Union from 1945 to 1951. She edited the Agricultural Magazine from 1939 to 1973. 1939 to 1973.

Phyllis Barclay-Smith was constantly called upon when committees were set up to

Mr Terence Judd Miss Fanny Waterman writes:

A teacher can wait a life-time for the privilege of guiding an extraordinary talent, like Terence Judd's. His lessons with me will always remain one of the greatest experiences of my musical life. Even from the time when he was ten years old, I had the greatest respect and affection for him as a pianist and for his musical

integrity.

His tragic death is indeed a great loss—he was a credit to his generation and to his COUDLY.

She was made MBE in 1958 and advanced to CBE in 1971. Wing Commander Robert Cecil Talbot Speir, OBE, Vice-Lieutenant of Nairn since 1970, died on January 2. He was 75. In the 1939-45 war he served

in Bomber Command, being mentioned in despatches three times, and at the War Cabinet Office.

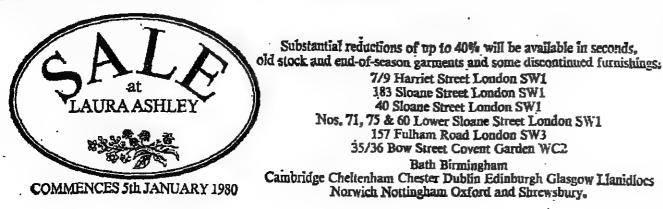
Lieutenant-Colonel John For-rester Colvin, OBE, MC, late 9th Lancers, who died on Jan-uary 3 at the age of 84, was a member of the Honourable Corps of Gentleman at Arms from 1945 to 1965, and a Justice of the Peace and a Deputy Lieu-

tenant for Sussex. 25 years ago

Ancestry of man From The Times of Wednesday, Jan 5, 1955

charge of excavations has caused a stir among anthro-pologists here because of the

to man in structure and in culture. This would tend to settle the question whether Australopithecenes as a group are ancestral to man and would indicate that Africa was the area of man's origin. Mr C. K. Pretoria, Jan 4.—The discovery of stone artefacts at Makapan, north of Potgieters rust in the Transvaal, where Professor Raymond Dart of Witwatersrand University is in charge of excavations. Makapan deposits with the cooperation of Professor Dart
when he found stones which
had the appearance of having
been chipped deliberately;
these were submitted to Professor van Riet Lowe of
Witwaterstand University who
confirmed that some of them
were very primitive stone possibility that this may pro-vide proof that the Australopiwere very primitive stone thecenes (apemen) are related artefacts.



Mr E. Newson
The funeral of Mr Eddle Newson
took place at Cheltenham Crimatorium on January 3. Among

robed and in the choir. Agrong those present were:

Ar David Gibbs, Mr Julian Gibbs, Mr Rogar Gibbs, and Mr Christopher Gibbs (1908).

Sons), Mr and Mrs Stephen Gibbs (1908).

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Mrs Valentine Floming (1908). Mr and Mrs Arbonne and down Ferning grandsons).

Major Martin Gibbs, Mr Raymond Gibbs, Mr William Gibbs, Mr Raymond Gibbs, Mr William Gibbs, Miss Susannah Gibbs, Mr William Gibbs, Miss Susannah Gibbs, Mr William Gibbs, Miss Susannah Gibbs, Mr Vicary Gibbs, Miss Josephine Fell, Colonal M. St. J. V. Gibbs, Mrs Jerwy Gibbs and Miss Lactinda Gibbs and Lady Radon-Powell Norah Lady Rosmant, Lady Carrington, Lady Crowther-Hunt, the torium on January 3. Among those present were:
Mrs Newson indury), Lorree Newson idaughter; Mr and Mrs John Tomain ison-m-law and daughter; Joel and Germa Tomain igrandchikaren; Mr Pred Owen irepresenting Times Newspapers; and Mrs Owen, Mr Clive Lovesy (Chreulation Manager, "The Times"; and other friends and past and Smallfield, Surrey 5385,208 Elliott, Mr John Winter, of Car-lisle, master baker and confec-tioner 5118,480 Larest wills include (net, before tax paid; nax not disclosed):

Bermett, Mr David Gerald, of Petersfield, Hampshire ... £128,210
Cooper, Mr Glen Cornwall, of amptonshire ... £207,496

Funeral

Services tomorrow: Second Sunday after Christmas

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GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: HC. 9: M. 11. Rev J. S. Westmuckett: HC. 1000.

TOWER OF LONDON: HC. 9.15: Epiphary, carol service, 11.15.

TEMPLE CHURCE, Fleet Street gratific welcomed; HC. 8.30; Mp. 11.15. TD. 82anord in B flat, Jub Dec, Thathen-Ball, in B flat, A. Mear my prayer O God, The Master.

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FT BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: RC, 8.50; Choral Matins and Erzharist, 11. Stanfard in B Hat. TD. Set 2. July Weekers short Service; Rev W. Bouthon: E. 6.50. Choral Ewensons, Mag (Stanfard of B fall Probable A Lo Started chiefs of Charles and Los Started chiefs of Charles and Los Started chiefs of Charles and Probable and March 12.

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so sancti Johannes de Deo-Hayde;
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WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road: Sanday service with Eucharlet, 11, Rev R, C. Gibbins.

Corrections

The exhibition on costume and fashion in book and print at the Victoria and Albert Museum, mentioned in "Today's engagements" yesterday, is open from Monday to Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday afternoons until Feb-ruary 17. The museum is closed

A reference in Church news on December 19 to the Rev A. E. Bowker, Vicar of St Aidan's, Blackhill, Durham, should have appeared under the heading of Resignations".

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SPORT.

Tennis

British team, far from being old, have not yet come of age

Tennis Correspondent Mark Cox and David Lloyd won

only two sets from three matches in the Braniff Airways doubles tournament at Olympia. Yesterday they were beaten 7-6, 7-6, 6-7. 6-2 by the Gullikson twins, Tim and Tom. Both partnerships had already lost their chance of qualifying for today's semi-final round. Cox and Lloyd, aged 36 and 32 respectively, modestly discussed whether it was time to make way for younger men in

Britain's Davis Cup team. Britain's Davis Cup team.

Why should they? Two of the finest teams in the world. Bob Hewitt and Frew McMillan and Marry Riessen and Sherwood Stewarl, are even older. A third, Bob Lutz and Stan Smith, are not much younger. Unlike Cox and Lloyd, all have been doubles experts at the highest international level throughout their careers.

Cox and Lloyd are a relatively Cox and Lloyd are a relatively new team and as Lloyd said vesterday: "You don't have to be so young in doubles. It does not take much out of you physically, though your reactions may go a bit". The difference between the British pair and their various opponents at Olympia was, he reckoned, "very small—but they're playing that little bit more. We were hitting the ball well but

they're playing that little bit more.
We were letting the ball well but were not match tight".

Cox said all the teams they had played had raised the quality of their game when they needed to.

"Today we were much more competitive. We started to get on to Tim's serve a little bit. But we had a disastrous start to the fourth set. And this week we don't seem to have the knack of the tle-breaker."

And the Davis Cup? Cox

"Igures, the improvement i nthe tennis was remarkably evident while Hewitt and McMillan were while Newtile And Sering Christopher Mottam and Ilic Nastase 6—3, 3—6, 2—6, 6—1, 5—3.

Four strong, yet disparate, characters spiced a match that spread before us all the joyous finesse and swift repartee that, if the tle-breaker."

And the Davis Cup? Cox

griened. "Emotionally, I've reured. It's time for someone else.
But there is something addictive
about the Davis Cup. You hate
to play—but you want to play."
Cox and Lloyd should stop
morning about burthdays. Vesterday they were a break, up in each
of the first two sets, had a set
point in the first tic-break, and
should have won the third set
more easily than they did (they
were two breaks up at 5-2).
Only in the fourth set was it
clear that the brisk and solid ared. It's time for son clear that the brisk and solid Gulliksons were the more capable of sustaining such competitive stress. Throughout the match the twins were usually the sharper pair on the critical points.

pair on the critical points.

Brian Gottfried and Rual
Ramtrez beat Riessen and Stewart
6—3, 6—3, 7—5 in a diightfully
skilful if slightly inconsequential
match between teams who had
already won their places in the
semi-final round. The losers had a
brtak point against Gottfried in
the sixth game but then lost five
consecutive games which left
them with rather too much upfull
work to do.

work to do.

Not the least extraordinary feature of the evening's entertainment was the capacity crowd of more than 5,000 watching the intermediate day of a doubles tournment is only its second year at an unusual location. Like the attendance the interpretated in the figures, the improvement I nihe tennis was remarkably evident while Hewitt and McMillan were beating Christopher Mottram and Ilic Nastase 6—2, 3—6, 2—6, 6—1,



Bending over backwards for Britain before bowing out: David Lloyd and Mark Cox.

76 should show the more panache at the end of a long match; and exciting, too, that in their first tournament together Mottram and Nastase should so slickly confirm that each complements the other in terms of personality and play-ing method. For two sets their momentum was tresistible but, just in time, Hewitt and McMil-lan sharply called them to a halt. A day carrier nastase's court conduct had been so bad that the umpires' manager. Harry Targett, said it was the worst example he had seen of consistently bad behaviour throughout: a match. Nastase's offences against the rules of tennis were dehatable.

making a stroke (can hindering be psychological?) and exceeding the permissible time limit between

pionship Tennis, have their own system of fines governing such things as Nastase's stalling, games-manship, swearing and general contempt for authority and the common decencies. WCT are common decencies. WCI are studying the umpires' report and considering a fine of anything up to \$5,000, But that sort of thing is' much less effective than the immediate impact of the penalty point system, which is not being used at Olympia. rules of tennis were debatable. They concerned only two points: "hindering" an opponent who is "We are not certain that is the right solution to bad beha-

executive director and former British Davis Cup Player, said, HOBART: Australian hard cour champlongings: Second round: G.

nanoing qualities. The new car is the lightest the team has produced to date.

The additional Arrows drivers, who will be used for selected races during the coming season, are 25-year-old Michael Korten and 28-year-old Helmut Henzier. They are their compensity theorem the

get their opportunity through the determination of Claus Cramer, Joint owner of the Warsteiner Brewery in West Germany, which

has been the Arrows team's im-portant sponsors for the past two seasons, to belp build up a new generation of German formula

Sports Council

Significance wanes of delegation's visit

By Richard Streeton

A few hours before the Rugby Footbal! Union in Park Lane made known their support for the British Lions tour, the Sports Council in Knightsbridge half a mile away were outlining their plans for their fact-finding mission to South Africa later this month. It must have been a day of mixed to South Africa later tims month.
It must have been a day of mixed emotions for Dick Jeeps, a former RFU president, and chairman of the Sports Council. Though the council's investigation of South African sport has a far broader base than whether the Lions should tour, there is no doubt that some of the significance of the council's visit has been premuted. the council's visit has been preempted.

Air Jeeps stressed the council's
four-man delegation would not be
making any recommendations in
their report but only providing
information about the whole spectrum of South African sport. It
would be up to the council when
they received the report whether
to make any proposals. Whether
the Lions' tour could be affected
might still depend on public
opinion. Mr Jeeps is known to be
against the Lions going because
of the likely effect on the rest
of British sport. He said he had
conveyed his views to the four
home rugby unions

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The delegation to South Africa
will be led by Mr Jeeps and is
completed by Mr Atha, a Leeds
city councillor, who is a Jecturer city councillor, who is a lecturer in business studies and who has also acted professionally; Arthur Gold, president of the European Athletics Association and chairman of the English Commonwealth Games Federation; and Basil D'Oliveira, the Cape Coloured who came to England and played Test match cricket. Their visit may be extended to a third week or longer

Touch of magic from man of granite

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Ev Peter Ryde

The President's Putter became golf again yesterday. In contrast to the previous day which had contained a touch of grand guignol, the sun shone after lunch with commendable vigour, filling the many hollows on Rye's fairways with shadow, and dispersing as though by magic the last of the dampness from the course.

The field slipped easily into the last 16, over which the granite form of Peter Gracey, with his long record of service to the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society as secretary and captain, presides as an aruncular figure. His total appearances in this tournament, 32, outstrips any of those still left in. He has reached the final once and has built up a

the final once and has built up a reputation as being a hard man reputation as being a naru man to beat.

It is a sign of the passage of time that he should at last have bowed to the need to carry hand warmers. They may well have helped him through the first two rounds, but it was a touch of the old Gracey magic that got him through in the third round against Michael Baigent who played for Oxford last year. Baigent putted well: he squared the match with Oxford last year. Baigent putted well; he squared the match with a putt across the green at the 13th and holed two more useful ones in the series of halves that followed. With superior length he might have hoped to win the 18th, but he cut his drive down into the dip and allowed his opponent to get away with a half in six. Gracev half topped his second at the 19th but struck a full five iron to eight feer and holed the putt to win the match.

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Attenborough and Uzielli, neither unduly pressed in the afternoon, although Attenborough was one down at the turn to Youngman, are still there to give the last 16 solidity and could meet this afternoon. They are two of the three remaining past winners here. Another one, folmes, was removed in the morning by Harrison who, starting at the tents, finished with a possible 2, 4, 4,

ngainst him, winning the short hole and balving the other two. Against Yates in the afternoon Harrison came to the same hole, the seventh, all square but this time he shanked a seven iron so that it finished in an impossible place behind the sixth green. That hole was as decidive as it had been hole was as decisive as it had been

In the lower half Hurst and Warman, rival captains in the centenary year of the University Match in 1978, are on course to meet in the semi-final but neither has an easy task.

Third round

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Cup aspirants must face the great leveller, mud

Football Correspondent The thought of Wembley in springtime warms the ambitions of sveryone involved in the third round of the FA Cup this afternoon. At this stage the question, one as old as the competition itself, is not who will win in May but who among the areas more

mud.

Mud there will be on most pitches, now that the temperature has risen to thaw most of the frost that threatened to martha programme. But the sunshine came too late to save Rinckburn's home to with Fulham and there will be a few pitch inspections where frost has turned to floods.

This is the round that concerns This is the round that concerns the widest range in status, from part-timers to the sleek, pedigree first division professionals. There are four complete outsiders left, although Northwich Victoria can still join them if they come

The non-league survivors are irrincham, who have home Altrincham, who have home advantage against Orient, Earlow (away to Leicester City), Yeovil, hoping to push Norwich City all the way down their famous slope, and Chesam, at home to Cambridge United. If logic had any say, the power of the first division would crush the spirits of all outsiders whether within or without the league, but defiance is the essence of the Cup.

The final itself has seen 29 different teams since the war with

Lee decides to move

Liverpool in the first division, history has a habit of having its say in the Cup.
Four of the players who helped Arsenal win the trophy last season will be absent at Cardiff. Brady and O'Leary are still injured and Nelson and Price are competing for the position as substitute. Devine, Gatting and Walford are keeping a jealous hold on their places.

places.

Arguably the highlight of the round is Tottenham Hotspur's renewed encounter with Manchester United. In last season's sixth round the teams drew at White Hart Lane but United won the replay. United also won in this season's League Cup and continued the pattern in a league match which they won 2—1 after strendous work. which they won Z-1 after strennous work.

Spors have lost some of their
sparkle recently but they seem
to have discovered an interesting
forward in Gibson who is 5ft 4in.
and today hopes to overcome an
ankle injury and the attentions of
McQueen (6ft 3in). Significantly,
Villa returns to the Tottenham
team after suspension. United are
unchanged for the fifth successive

team after suspension. United are unchanged for the fifth successive game.

In the north the most substantial contest is between Leads United and Northigham Forest at Elland Road. There are personal and collective issues involved. Brian Clough goes back to the scene of a brief, unsuccessful attempt to return Leads to former glory. Now he needs a good result to restore Forest's confidence after the disappointments of the league. There is also a contest within a contest between the brothers Gray. It adds up to an enticing match that may not be finished after the first 90 minutes. Moving from the meat to the spice of the round, Yeovil's massager, Berry Lloyd, made the point that may of his players were former league professionals and did not lack ability. Possibly, he admitted, their application had been missing but not now against Norwich City of the first division. Some of Norwich's speed will be reduced by the absence of Taylor, but at least part of their running will be downhill.

As Jus is the time to risk a

The final itself has seen 29 different teams since the war with Manchester United (seven), Arsenal (six) and Liverpool (five) leading the sppearances. Two of those regular visitors met at Wembley lest year and produced an outstanding finish, Arsenal winning 3—2 with a goal scored when United still seemed to be celebrating an equaliser.

Arsenal and Manchester United begin again with tricky hurdles. Arsenal, having follen over Swindon Town in the League Cup, take on another club who can use the psychology of history. In 1927 Cardiff beat Arsenal to become the only club to take the FA Cup out of England. Much as common sense says that the present Cardiff are no more than an average second division team while Arsenal are still hoping to carch

The Villa legend lives on

By Péter-Wálker Bristol Rovers 1 Aston Villa 2
It used to be said that if you boat Villa you will win the FA Cup. Bristol Rovers did not do that in this third-round the last night, so for the time being the legend stands. With the ball sliding across the greasy surface and driving rain making visibility none too easy for the goalkeepers, Villa could easily have matched an early lead.

A free kick by Mortimer from

A free kick by Mortimer from 40 yards was badly misjudged by Thomas in the Bristol Rovers goal, but luckly for him his mishauding did not prove costly as Cowaus shot the rebound wide. Then from

shot the renound which their truth the same spot out on the Villa right Evans sent in a rising drive which Thomas, too fix off his line; was lucky to fingerup over the bar.

This is not to say that Villa research completely in control. For were completely in control. For Rovers, the speed of Pullis down the left and the tenscity of Penny in the goalmouth kept the Villa defence constantly on their guard. Half an hour had gone and there had yet to be a direct shot at goal from within normal scoring range; then a deft chip by Little was backheaded on by Donovan and Thomas was forced to dive at the feet of Swain to smother

Little was backheaded of by Donovan and Thomas was forced to dive at the feet of Swain to amother the danger.

Little again led to Villa taking the lead in the fortleth minute. Escaping Mabbutt with ease, the former England international brought consternation to the Rovers defence with a teasing through ball into the box. They scrambled it free but only to Gerry Shaw, who hir a trising left-foot shot past Thomas's right hand into the roof of the net.

Such is the nature of cup football that as Villa began to look safer and safer, Rovers equalized in the fifty-first minute. Prince put Barrowclough through down the middle and, despite the vigorous attention of Evans and Rimmer, he retained enough compostre and control to roll the ball into the back of the net from seven yards out.

Within three minutes Villa were back in the lead. Shaw, who moments earlier had called for a new right boot, broke down the left, squared the ball across the goalmouth and, although Little lost possession, Cowans scrambled it into the net. If the game will not linger long in the memory of the 16,060 crowd—Rovers's best of the season—it should have suggested to Chelsea's assistant manager, Bobby Gould, that later this morning he should agree to take on the vacant manager's job at Eastville; for although Rovers are out of the cup and in the relegation zone of the second-division, there is cnough spirit and skill in the club to provide him with a worthwhile future.

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SRISTOL ROVERS: M. Thomas:
V. Jones, T. Cooper, G. Mabbutt,
S. Taylor, D. Williams, S. Berrowcloudh, Thomas, J. Rimmer; K. Swein,
M. Astron Villa: J. Rimmer; K. Swein,
C. Gibson, A. Evons, W. McNaught,
D. Mordmer, D. Bremner, B. Liute,
T. Donovan, G. Cowans, G. Shaw,
Referee; V. Daniels (Brentwood)

Motor racing

Last year's lessons help production of new car

Arrows Racing Team drivers, Jochen Mass and Riccardo Patrese, are starting the new formula one season knowing that two new cars will be waiting for them in Susnos Aires next work and that two young German drivers will be joining them during 1980.

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The new car, the Arrows-Ford A3, reverses the direction of development adopted last year by the designers. Fony Southgate and David Wass when they introduced the Arrows A2. This was a bullet mosed car of very low profile which sought to achieve the full benefit of ground effect aerodynamics without the use of a conventional rear wing.

At the time it was considered

conventional rear wing.

At the time it was considered to be a massive leap forward in racing car technology, and Southgate still agrees with this description. "But unfortunately, we leapt right over the brink." However, the A2 was not a complete waste of time. "It took us into areas of ground effect experience which other teams have yet to encounter and we have learnt a lot from this."

Some of the lessage have been

generation of German formula one drivers.

Herr Cramer, clearly concerned about the increasing domination of French drivers in grand prix entry lists at a result of the generous assistance they are given in France to further their careers, explained "We must have new drivers for formula one in Geodrivers for formule one in Germany. If nothing is done about this now the Germans will miss the bus once and for all internationally." So for Mass is the only German with an assured place in grand privarees this sea-Some of the lessons have been applied to the new car, which by comparison is conventional in design, eithough it adopts a new honeycomb construction technique which has enabled the Southgate and Wass partnership to produce a monocoque chassis which is narrow and in the only United Kingdom representative, John Watson, and United Kingdom representative, John Watson, and the only United Kingdom representative, John Watson, and Watson, and United Kingdom representative, John Watson, and John Watson, and John Watson

Latest European snow reports

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New snow on good base.
Secfeld 100 135 Good Powder Good Snow 2
Excellent skiing on all-runs.
Serre Chevalier 60 120 Good Varied Fair Fine 4
Worn parches on lower stopes.
Val d'Isère 155 220 Good Powder Good Snow 1
Some rans closed.
Varbier 70 200 Good Powder Good Snow 6
Powder snow on hard base.
Wengen 60 150 Good Heavy Good Cloud 1
Heavy snowfalls.
In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Grent Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from other sources:



For the record

Tennis

QUEEN'S CLUE, London Women's 20 and under singles semi-final round; Mas C. Harrison beat vilss J. Harris, 6-2 6-2; Miss D. Parker beat Miss L. Locke, 6-3, 7-5, Miss Parker beat Miss Harrison, 7-6, 6-1. CMEDWIN PARK (Jamaira): four match, scrond day: Jamaica Youth 226 14. Tucker 88. N. Mallender 4 for 54), England Youth 97 for 5.

Skiing

Rugby League

Fox with the smile of the tiger (for aerodynamic advantages and lightness) yet sufficiently rigid for the suspension to provide the car with optimum and consistent handling qualities. The new car is

By Keith Macklin

Beware the coach who pays tribute to his opponents on the ere of a big game. This is the smile of the face of the tiger at its broadest and most deceptive.

Peter, Fox, of Bradford Northern, has this week paid fullsome ribute to the achievements, pro-fessionalism, strength in depth and combatteness of Widnes, Northern's opponents in today's restranged John Player Tropby final at Headingley.

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Fox has good reason to feel healthy respect for Widnes, who beat his own side four times last season, including bes in the John Player Trophy and the Challenge Cup. However, he must feel deep down that Northern's time has come, since of late the Widnes machine has not ticked over with the unanding and irresistible fluency of last season. Widnes have won the Lancashire Cup once again, and like Northern are challenging for the first division title, but they have stumbled on one or two occasions and on others have acraped through on the strength of their deep reserves of professionalism.

Widnes are without their promising young stand-off half David Moran, who has a leg injury, but with the international Hughes available after injury there will be no weakness in this position. Northern, who had a rest on Sunday and on New Year's Day, turn out what is arguably their best side, with Stephenson back at stand-off half to give a smooth link with the three quarters and Cassy at loose forward to allow the young Gary Van Bellen, to take a second row place with Grayshon.

Between such fierce and competitive rivals the issue will surely be close, but I have a feeling that a fully fit and well-rested Northern side will take the trophy today unless Widnes can regain 100 per cent effectivenness.

Swinton have two stands, Headingles has only one, and both

Swinton have two stands, Head-

ingley has only one, and both capacity and seat slting are dif-ferent. Numbers have had to be changed, coach parties contacted to offer alternative groupings, and there will be the inevitable problems arising where people who bought ideal tickets for Swinton find themselves through nobody's fault in less than their layoutle true at Heatingley. Iavourite Spot at Headingley, YESTERDAY'S RESULT: first divi-sion: Castifierd 7 St Helens 23.

Basketball

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: New York knicks 138, San Diego Clippera 101; New Jacop Nets 126. Atlanta Hawk 110; Philadelphis 76-ers 10%, Cleve-land Cavalices 108; Miwankee Burks 106, Indiana Pacets 96, Yachting PERTH: World Mirror dingly Siling championship; Fiasi race; 1, R. Pauridge (GB: 1, M. Barcham ; Australia; Overall winner; D. Derby (Australia), 3's penalty pts.

Britain's new combination leave Dutch as masters But British hopes were restored a

From Sydney Friskin Karachi, Jan 4

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After their second defeat in two
days Britain have little chance of
finishing within the first four at
the Seven Nations (Champions
trophy) tournament, here, sponsored by PIA. Their next match
is on Sunday against West Germany who are meeting the Nethalands remorter. many who are meeting the Netherlands tomorrow.

Today's defeat by the Dutch followed the pattern of the previous match against Australia with Britain failing to build on an early lead. It was, indeed, the worst match of the day, marred by excessive man to man marking, body checking, in which the Dutch were equally at fault, and frequent whisting by the umpires.

But once Netherlands recovered their composure in the second

their composure in the second half there was no doubt about the result, Britain, in spire of their enthusiasm and high work rate, just could not match the oppo-sition for class and skill. There were three changes in the British team. One was inevitable because Whitaker had suffered an injury.

in to leave Barber still out in the cold.

The new combination want into brisk action from the start and the forwards began to torment the shaky Dutch defence. Not the shaky Dutch defence. Not enough edvantage was taken, however, of the opposition's mistakes. When open goals are misped a heavy price is usually paid and that was the sad story of today.

Before three minutes had passed Westert had missed a penalty

Westcott had missed a penalty stroke for Britain, Sikking, the Dutch goalkeeper, having made a brilliant save. Gregg had actually deven the ball into goal a split-second after the umpire had blown his whistle to award the stroke.

puting an angular shot in the net.

The first Dutch move of consequence was made as late as the twenty-second animute by which time Britain might have been at least three goals up. Gregg himself had missed an open goal, so did Kullar whose shot was wide and inelegant. In the twenty-fifth minute Hans Krinizs was obstructed inside the circle and Litjens, converting the short corner, put the reams on equal terms, having been permitted the luxury of a second shot. He did not have to follow up because the ball came. follow up because the ball came back to him off Taylor's pads. back to him off Taylor's pads.

In the third minute of the second half litjens scored off another short corner, this time off a dedefender's stick. Then when Van't Hek sent Ties Kruize in to score unopposed two minutes later, Britain's fate was sealed. Bouman receiving a pass from the right by Bolhuis scored the fourth goal. Britain had bad chances to score off three short corners in the last 10 minutes but quick roaming by 10 minutes but quick running by the Dutch defenders enabled them to amother Cattrall's shots.

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Earlier, Pakistan beat Spain 5—1 and India recovered some of their prestige in a creditable 3—3 draw with Australia. Current Standing

How an oak felled a willow

recent winner of the H. K. Foster Cup, and the Etonian David Faber, were among the winners in the under-24 rackets championship for the Swallow Trophy, which began at Queen's Club yesterday. Only Mark Nicholls, a Malyernian and Cambridge University Blue, like his brother, and the 1978 Army champion, came under heavy fire.

Mark Nicholls boat David Pease, who has just left Eton. by 15—2.

who has just left Eton, by 15-2, 11-15, 15-8, 12-15, 15-5 in one of the few contests in which rallies became possible and service was not paramount. Earlier in the day the court suffered badly from sweating, making play hazardous, if not dangerous, and putting a high premium on the stronger Freeze, built like a young willow tree, held his own in the rallies, often achieving a better length and always cutting the ball more than

By Roy McKelvie

Paul Nicholls, the holder. his brother, Mark, Richard Ellis, recent winner of the H. K. Foster Cup, and the Etonian David Faber, were among the winners in the under-24 rackets championship for the Swallow Trophy, which began at Queen's Club yesterday. Only Mark Nicholls. Malvernian and the conversation of the Mark Nicholls. Malvernian and the conversation of the conv tree, powerful but inflexible. There were times when he appeared; leaden-footed (perhaps sitting in looked like losing the final game he was made to work hard for it

RESULTS: First round: P. C. Nicholls beat R. Clark. 15—1. 15

Chelses completed the £200,000 manager of Telford United, the signing of the striker Colin Lee former Southern League club now from Tortenham yesterday. Lee decided to move to Stamford Bridge after he and his wife looked at houses in the Surrey area. He becomes the Chelsea martager Geoffrey Hurst's first big signing since he took charge mino weeks ago, Lee rose to prominence by scoring four goals on his first appearance for Spurs against appearance for Spurs against Bristol Rovers two years ago, but has since struggled to hold down a regalar first team place. The former England goalkeeper, The former England goalkeeper, Gordon Banks, dismissed from his coaching job with Port Vale last month, has been appointed general Weekend fixtures

Weekend fixtures

FA Cup: third round

[Rick-off 3.0 unless stated]
Altracham v Orient

Similarham v Southampton

Birmingham v Southampton

Bristol City v Derby

Second round

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Chesham v Cambridge U (2.30)

Everton v Aldershot

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Lidensby

Lidensby

Third division

Brentford v Oxford U

Kinamosek v Bibernian

Cettis v Danders underward

Second round

Scottish premier division

Cettis v Danders

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Lidensby

Brentford v Oxford U

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Cettis v Danders

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Chesham v Gambridge U (2.30)

Everton v Aldershot

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Rugby Union Final England trial Final Irish trial

Marchester v Waterloo (2,36) Moseley v Carellf Moseley v Carellf Northampton v London Wales Ortal v Vortey (2,30) Plymouth A v Camborne (2,45) Pontypool v Maesing Rosslyn Pk v Blackheath

Whites v Blues at Dublin, 2.30).
Final Scotland trial
Blues v Whites (at Murrayfield 1.45) Bluce v Whites (at Murrayheld 1.45)
Club Matches
Aberston v Swansea
The Arm' v Harlequins (2.30)
Bath v Lelewsor
Endiant v Bristol
Birkerhead Pk v Gala
Birmingham v Trodegar (2.50)
Broughton Pk v Nottingham (2.45)
Coventry v Neath
Edinburgh W v We Scotland (3.30)
Glamorgan W v Newbridge (2.30)
Gosforth v Hulf & Er (2.15)
Harrogan v Hulf & Er (2.25)
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Hockey

LONDON LEAGUS: Backenham v Old

Kincatonians: Blackheath v Tolse Mill:
Bromins: V Richmond: Garan v Hounslow: Hampstead v Wimbledon: Maidenleagy v Dulwich: Purity v ReadingSpencer v Surbiton: Si Albara v Southdate: Tredingion v Hawks.

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inter-county in Albreton Sports
Centra: Womien's Club Matcheas: Midlanda
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inter-county in Albreton Sports
Castaways v Bury St Edmunds: Croydon Mo v Lingliels: Ealing v Ashbord
(Middlesox): Ealbourne v Lawest
Epsom v Gic; Gore Court v Polkesiene Optimist: Hayee. I Middlesox v
Slough: Hendon v Eastcote; IBM v
Alton: Letchwarth v Cambridge Giv;
Maidistone v Bexleyneath: Marden Russets v Carwborough: Sonning v Wallingjord: Wanstead v Cheshum: Wembley v
Chaiffont St Peter; Woking v Cambriey
V Kentey XI.

Raskethall

TV highlights

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BBC 1
Football: Preview (12
0f the Day (9.4
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1.0, 1.30, 2.0 at
2.40).

Cricket: Australia
(2.10).

Tennis: World doub.
4.5).

Rugby League: Che Basketball

NATIONAL LEAGUE, Rest division: ATS Manchester v Kelly Girl Kingston SOUTH YORKSHIRE: International SOUTH YORKSHIRM: Attended to 8. 100 mm pmen! Murray Int v (July of Dubuqua (US) (2.0): Boroughmulr v Zieban Doncaster (3.45): Univ of Dubuque Boroughmulr (7.5): Zieban Doncaster v Murray Int (8.45), NATIONAL CUP (Women): Semi-Junal: Crystal Palace Toppys v Corvis Luton (2.0).

HACTOSSE

NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE:
Boardman & Eccles v South Manchester & Writernatuwe: Hosion
Mersey v Old Waconians: Mellor v
Timberiey: Old Roumeians v Stockport: Old Stopfordians v Cheaded
Urmston v Sheffield University.
Women's matchast Mohawks v
Norwich: Trent Bridge v Friary Foxes:
Beckenham v Rejale; We'sl London v
Baruos, Puriey v Hatch End.

Tomorrow BASKETBALL: National Cup (women: semi-final: Cleveland v Hemei Hempstead Tigers.

BBC 1 Football: Preview (12.20); Match of the Day (9.45). Racing: Haydock Park races at 1.0, 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30. Darts: British open (1.0, 1.40 and 2.40).

Cricket: Australia v England (2.10).

Tennis: World doubles (3.0 and 4.5].
Rugby League: Challenge Cup
draw (12.45); John Player
Trophy final, Widnes v
Bradford Northern (3.20).

Cricket: Australia v England (6.35). Tennis: World doubles (10.50).

Hull v Blackpool Borough; Leich v Wakefleid Trinity (3.30): Wigan v Hunslel: Workington Town v York (2.30). Second division: Barrow t Krighley (2.30): Dewsbury v Rochale Hunsets (3.30): Featherstone Rovers v Whitehaven (3.30); Hullar v Batter (3.30): Huddersteid v Doncaster (3.30): Oldham v Swinton.

Football: Preview (12.35),
Ice hockey: American national
league (1.0).
Racing: Sandown Park races at
1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0:
- Market Rasen races at 1.45,
2.15 and 2.45.
Show jumping: Grand prix (3.10).
Wrestling: Leeds promotion (4.0).
Snooker: Professional - celebrity
match (11.0).

BBC 1-tomorrow Tennis: World doubles (2.0). BSC 2-tomorrow Rugby Union : Preview of the 1980 international season (4.10). Skiing: Men's and women's down-bill (5.10). Cricket: Australia v England (5.50).

Frv-tomorrow Football: Big Match (2.45).

Cricket

The bad luck of the toss is England's

passport to disaster

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Sydney, Jan 4

England had the misfortune to lose the toss in the second Test match against Australia here today and so had to bat. Although no play was possible until just after 3.30, they were 90 for seven by close of play in conditions that were absurdly inadequate for the start of a five-day Test on one of the world's great grounds.

Whether the winning of the toss will prove to have meant the winning of the match remains to be seen. The pitch can only get better, so the chaptes are that it will, but we shall see about that. Survival was by no means impos-sible today, and certainly not as difficult as in the old days of the "sricky dog"; but batsmen have a right to expect an altogether better pitch than England found

today.

The curator at the Sydney cricket ground, a man of great experience, went to bed on Tuesday night having checked the weather forecast and decided that there was little possibility of rain. It was predicted for Newcastle, 100 miles north of Sydney, but not for Sydney itself. Anyway, he felt, a drop or two would do his pitch no harm. In the event the rain started to fall at 4.0 on Wednesday morning, and the pitch, by the morning, and the pitch, by the time it was covered, was saturated. The fact that Atholy Watkins, the curator, says he "has never been caught like this before", will be small consolation to Brearley and his ream

The England side would have given up their match fee, I am sure, for the right to field first. But it was not to be. The captains delayed rossing for as long as possible, thinking that the divide which had fallen for most of the morning might return; it was not to a full length, which are the until a quarter of an hour before two golden rules for bowling on the start that Chappell and Brearley spun a coin and Australia put England in. Tea having been may have seemed a little hollow taken, there was nearly two hours and a half left for play, in which size the odd ball did more than

For an hour it was sufficiently

overcast for an appeal against the light to be considered at length. By the end the sun was out and England's innings was in ruins. Had England been bowling, Botham, for one, would have been element for the hall swulle a lot. It was always likely to do a lot. It was always likely to do
so, which made the omission from
the England side of Lever the
more surprising. Boycott was
bowled by a huge inswinger from
Dymock in the fourth over; he
had been of half a mind to drive
it and was bowled between bat
and pad. Randall had no difficulty
whatever in adding to a daunting whatever in adding to a daunting succession of naughts and ones; he was caught at first slip off a hall that moved sharply from leg

hall that moved sharply from leg to off.

Gooch batted for 90 minutes and Brearley for 70, and Botham made a swashbuckling 27 in half an hour, which included an ondrive for six off Greg Chappell, before being caught off the glove at slip, a fine catch fof a ball that reared perpendicularly. Gooch, on the other hand, having defended doggedly and well, was bowled by Lillee playing no stroke. This was a straightforward error of judgment. Willey was unluckier, being well caught at fourth slip off a ball that lifted nastily.

off a ball that lifted mastily.

Gower played a stroke that would have been alry enough even with a hundred under his beit on a good pitch. Today it had nothing to recommend it. Brearley fought hard and for more than long enough to know what fun it would have been had England been bowling; eventually he skied Dymock to mid-on, trying to lift him to square leg. Brearley seemed to have decided that the time had come for positive measures; it would have been better to have tried to sit it out until tomorrow.

Well as they took their oppor-

second innings in Perth, and also against West Indies in Melbourne last week. Dymock was the best of the Australian bowlers. In his opening overs Lilles was plain by comparison. Pascoe, preferred to Thomson, deserved the wicket he got. He puts a lot into his bowling, which accounted for his producing the most lively ball of the day, the one that did for Bothum. As often as not the bowlers As often as not the bowlers had every fielder round the bat. To enjoy their progress there was a crowd of perhaps 5,000. There would obviously have been more had there not seemed, earlier in the day, to be little chance of play. With Eugland in such trouble there should be a large crowd tomorrow. Australia are

second innings in Perth, and also

I can well imagine some of the old masters — say Hobbs and Sutcliffe and Rutton and Comp-Sutcliffe and Hutton and Compton — coping as things were this afternoon. I saw Hutton doing ao, on an appreciably worse pitch though not for so long as two hours and a half, at Brisbane in 1950. I think Cowdrey might have done it, and Arthur Milton and M. J. K. Smith. But it was far from easy — and for England's present barring a birch as ill-

present batting a pitch as ill-

first Test in Perth, except that Gooch replaces Miller, What England needed today was the luck of the toss and it eluded W. Randall, c G. Chappell Lilies Willing, a Wiener, Dymock J. M. Brustley, a Pascos, Demock i, Gower, b G. Chappell r. Botham, c G. Chappell, b Total (7 wkis) 90 L. Underwood and R. W. Wills

Gooch steps out. Ian Chappell in a flat spin trying to steal a march on England. prepared as this one is almost nevitably a passport to disaster.

ENGLAND: First maines

O. A. Gooch, b Liliee

O. Boytott, b Dymock

D. W. Randall, c O. Chappell, b jury has kept him out. McCosker is in his place. The England side is the same as that who lost the

Rugby Union

S African tour is approved by RFU

Continued from page 1 The Government's attitude to the tour has already been clearly stated by Mr Hector Monro, the Minister at the Department of the Environment responsible for sport, George Clark writes in a written parliamentary answer on Dec-ember 7 he said: "No governember 7 he said: "No govern-ment approval would be given to any such tour. To do so would be incompatible with our acceptance of the Commonwealth Statement on Sport".

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This was a reference to the statement issued by Commonwealth leaders after a meeting at Glenagles on June 14, 1977. This stated that the Commonwealth governments would act vigorously "to combat the evil of apartheid" by withholding any support for, and take every practical step to discourage, contact or competition by their own nationals with sporting oorganizations, teams or sportsmen from South Africa or any other country' where sports are organized on the basis of race, colour or ethnic origin.

There was a flurty of activity in Whitehall at about that time because Mr Denils Thatcher, husband of the Prime Minister, speaking at the annual dinner of the London Society of Rugby Football Union Referees had expressed his view that the British Lions rugby tour should take place.

Mr Thatcher and others were last night accused of "encouraging" the Rugby Union to back the tour. The claim came from Mr Sam Ramsamy, chairman of the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee, one of the leading antiapartheid movements in Britain.

John Carlisle, Conservative MP for Lutton, West, who has backed the tour in Partiament said last night that he was delighted with the decision. He added that it would "put the icing on the cake" if the Government would now offer the Lions its tacit support. "The tour must help those who wish to see spartheid disappear altaogether," he said

Albert Ferrasse, the French Rugby Federadion chairman, also welcomed the decision. He said:

"It is a courageous decision. It is a very good thing that one, does not mix sports and politics."

England's problem of finding fit forwards

Rugby Correspondent

The teams for today's England trial suffered yet more defections yesterday, and the hot line must have been in frequent use at Twickenham as the selectors country to making the necessary. sought to maintain the necessary sought to maintain the necessity quorums. Tony Neary, open side flanker, and Colin Smart, the loose head prop, withdrew from the senior XV, one with an infected cut and the other with an infected ear, and Colin White, who was incited on Thursday to play loose head in the Rest team, has cried off with an injured shoulder.

shoulder.

Michael Rafter, originally chosen on the open side flank for the Rest, reverts to his old senior status. Gordon Sargeaut, of Gloucester, now plays at loose head for England, and Trevor Corless, of Moseley, for the Rest. The Leicester and England Under-23 prop. Steve Redfern, would have got this position for the Rest had he not been in the wars with a back injury. The Bath loose forward, Simon Jones takes Rafter's place on a flank in the same side, and David Forfar, Leicester and England "B", is called up as a travelling reserve.

The highly frustrating end-product of all these changes which must have given the selectors cause to consider whether it was worth proceeding with the exercise. is that half of the senior pack, as first chosen, have fallen by the wayside. These players are Fran Cotton, Peter Wheeler, Neary and John Scott. Smart, Jim Sydall and Mark Keyworth are the absent forwards from the original Rest XV.

More happily, the backs of both

Rest XV.

More happily, the backs of both sides are all but intact. The only change there is at centre, where Clive Woodward has moved up from the junior side in place of the injured Nick Preston, thus breaking up a Leicester three in the Rest midfield.

So the prospects are that the selectors may now learn more from what goes on between the respective back divisions, although they will be able to assess the de-gree of Nigel Horton's fitness at lock and the potential of men like Nick Mallett and Simon Jones on the Rest flank. Trevor Cheeseman has a good chance to confirm his

position as second choice No 8 and Philip Blakeway, the Glou-cester right head prop, to make a renewed mark at representative level, after being in danger of finishing his rugby career after a serious neck injury.
Outside, too, Pener Squires, on the Rest's right wing, will want the opportunities to prove that the selectors were wrong to drop him for the New Zealand international.

and there should be an interesting tussie at half back. Les Cusweril who was capped at stand-off against the All Blacks, is flow paired in the Rest's team with the Cambridge captain, lan Peck.

John Horton, who lost his Eng. John Horton, who lost as England place last season to Neil Ben-nett, has been restored to favour in the senior side and takes up an old partnership with Stere Smith that could have interesting possi-

There will also be much interest

in the performance of 10my
Wright, of Sale and Lancasine,
Northern aficionados, are insistent
that he ought to be paired in the
England side with Tony Rond,
with whom he has forged a highly
successful club partnership.

England: W. Hare (Livester: J.
Cariston (Orrel). A. Bond (Sale). C.
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(Livespool): J. Horton (Bahn). S.
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Forlar (Leicester).

Scotland, who do not enter the international scene for a month, and Ireland also stage trials, while Wales hold a squad weekend. Tony Ward—desperately anxious to regain the Irish stand-off spot from Ollie Campbell, the unexpected success of their tour of Australia—hus almost no bope of recovering from his long-standing recovering from his long-standing

knee injury.

If he misses the chance to compete with Campbell this will be the only change in Ireland's top 30 men.

Racing

Random Leg's path home should be more straightforward this time

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent Although the Anthony Mildmay, Peter Cazalot Memorial Steeple-Chase is the most valuable race et Sandown Park today, the two at Saidown Park today, the two which will possibly generate the most interest are the Panama Cigar Hurdle Championship toualitiar) and the Tolworth Hurdle. Random Leg (1.30) and Rhyme Royal (2.30) have stood their ground for these races and they are two of the most exciting young horses to make their mark this season. They were both this season. They were both engaged in each other's race today, but wisely their connexions have chosen to sidestep each

Newbury eight days ago only to be disqualified. Before that he had won at Cheitenham equally dodesty Forbids, Defopea and convincingly. The reason for his disqualification was a violent swerve after the last hurdle. Provided that he keeps straight this time he ought to be too good for Sea Image. Rhyme Royal appears to have a harder task in his race, but he should still be the equal of it judged on the way that he problem by running that he incompletely of Stronbolds, Prince Rock, Prince Rock will be meeting on 11th better tarms. Ridley Lamb's long journey meeting Peter Scot on 3 it better tarms. Ridley Lamb's long journey division of the Metropolitan division of the Metropolitan to have a harder task in his race. Less between them now. Prince Bulley, bad ridden around the Esher poses a problem by running course, which takes some know-

ran away with a similar race at Kempton Park on Boxing Day.
When Rhyme Royal raced for the first time under National Hunt rules his jumping left something to be desired and he was beaten to be desired and he was besten two lengths by Norfolk Arrow. However, at Kempton his hardling showed a marked improvement. The reason for that was a chauge of tactics. At Sandown Rhyme Royal fought for his head and Bill Smith fought him too. At Kempton Smith let him have his own way and they got on together infinitely better. Rhyme Royal quickened impressively that day to go clean away from Better Blessed and I fancy that he will prove to be too strong this time boday, but wisely their connexions have chosen to sidestep each other on this occasion.

For those with short memories, Random Leg is the horse who won the Ramsbury Hurdle at Cheltenham on New Year's Day, but for frost intervening. They are Peter Scot, Prince Rock, had won at Cheltenham equally convincingly. The reason for his disqualification was a violent swerve after the last hurdle. Provided that he keeps straight this

Strombolus as well. Strombolus won the Whitbread Gold Cup over today's course and distance two years ago and it is not difficult to envisage him making his presence felt this afternoon.

crowd tomorrow. Australia ace

Nor is it hard to imagine Modesty Forbids doing well, if only he were to recepture his zest. He looked a shadow of his former self as Ascot last month, though. self as Ascot last month, though, Normally it goes against the grain to side with anything that would be carrying anything less than 10st in the extended handicap, but in this instance I am tempted to make an exception of Kas. Admittedly he has more to carry now than the handicapper intended, yet he ran well enough in the King George VI Steeplechase at Kempton Park to make me think that he might be up to it. At Kempton he finished fifth, in front incidentally of Strombolus, who he will be meeting on 111b

ing, and what a good job he made of it. He gave his borse a lovely view of his hurdles and from the moment be struck the from just before the second last flight before the second last right defeat was out of the question. Like his sire, Grey Mirage, Faza Morgana revels in the mud and I will not be surprised if he wins another similar race before long. Sadly yesterday's was marred by Grand Armee's faint fall at the last fifth when he was lying last flight when he was lying

After Nimrody had won the Londesborough Steeplechase his trainer, Fred Winter, gave all the credit for the horse's success to his 22-year-old daughter, Denise Apparently Nimrody became jarred in his shoulders in the autumn and Miss Winter has loosened him up with a course of loosened him up with a course of dressage at which she is so

Ninrody was the first winner that Richard Linley has ridden for Winter, who promptly won the next race with Pardon. Whether he would have done so though if the favourite, Boardman's Special, had not completely misjudged the second last furdle is a matter of personal judgment. In my opinion Boardman's Special had the race at his mercy at the time and that

mistake cost him both his lead Rathconrath, was sound again now Rathconrain, was sound again now after pulling a muscle in his quarters mowards the end of last mouth and that he would reappear in about three weeks' time, possibly here at Sandown in the Oteley Hurdle.

After the Cardinal Handicap Hurdle, the stawards inquired into the running and riding of Brownglen. Having heard evidence from the horse's trainer. Im Old. and

gien. Maving neard evidence from the horse's trainer. I'm Old, and his rider, Colin McIlfatrick, and having viewed the camera patrol film, they were unable to accept their explanation, and referred the matter to the stewards of the Jockey Club.

Spartan Missile odds

backing for Sparran Missile for the Cheltenham Gold Cup. Hills have shortened the odds from 25-1 to 20-1 and Corals have gone STATE OF GOING (Official): Sandown Park, soft: Haydock Park, soft (7.30 om inspection): Market Rasen, soft, Monday: Leicosier, heavy (burdles): Soft (Stephechase): Sedge-field, heavy.

Dikaro Lady to rebuff worthy suitors

There will be some first-class sport at Haydock Park this afternoon if the thaw continues. It would not have been possible to would not have been possible to race on the Lancashire course yesterday, so an inspection has been planned for 7.30 title morning. If the weather has relented some of the best steeplechasers in the Tota Northern Steeplechasers and a competitive race is also promised for the Tota Northern Hurdle.

Hurdle.

However, on the other side of the country, at Market Rasen, everything seems set fair and no inspection is planned. The best bet on the Lincoinstire course would appear to be Dikaro Lady in the Furniture Factors Handicap. There are only four runners in this two mile steeplechase, but the quartet all won last time out; Fairy King at Towcester. Duc de Bolebec for at Towcester. Duc de Bolebec for at Towcester, Duc de Boisbec for the fourth time this season at Ayr, Mr Marisbridge at Cheltenham and Dikaro Lady by a handsome 15 lengths at Sedgefield. Now that Dikaro Lady has found her best form she is a confident selection to take the trophy back to European take the trophy back to Harewood. Dikero Lady's trainer and jockey, Tony Dickinson and Tommy Carmody, are also asso-

2.30 TOLWORTH HURDLE (£2,415: 2m)

ciated with Honegger in the Coral cap Screplechase. But in the hurdle Mountain Hays is taken to dely a 4lio penalty for his recent victory at Sedgefield. Tommy Joe would undoubtedly go close if he were at his peak. However, the 10-year-old needs a lot of work and has not been seen in public since his victory at Teesside Park over three weeks ago. In the circumstances Current Gold, who was staying on strongly when chasing home Peter Scot in the Welsh Grand National, might represent better value.

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Peter Easterby, Mountain Bay's trainer, is also expected to capture the Grimsby Novices' Hurdle with Bamp. Yet to make his first appearance under these rules, Bamp is reported to have been well schooled at Maiton and should be too good for the form horse, Haverhill Lad.

If racing is possible at Havdock.

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If racing is possible at Haydock, the soundest wager should be Hot Tomato in the Rochdale Novices' Steeplechase. Formerly rather headstrong, Hot Tomato has now settled well for Ridley Lamb. The eight-year-old jumped like a buck when successful at the Wetherby Chrismas meeting and should prove too sharp for Solar Lad. Dikaro Lady, Bamp and Hot

Tomato are my idea of the three best bets at the two northern meetings.
And now for the sponsored races which both pose knowy races which both pose knotry problems. Top weight in the Tore Steeplechase will be carried by Bailet Lord, who is penalized 81b for his narrow defeat of the Messey-Ferguson Gold Cup winner, Father Delaney at Wetherby. This field is packed with talent. Rollet Coaster has fluished third in both the Mackeson and Massey-Ferguson Gold Cups. Havanus showed signs of returning to his best when accounting for Vallant Charger at Folkestone and Jer is a consistent lightweight who was certainly not disgraced when third to Jimmy Miff at Notingham. However, knowing that Neville Crump thought that Bailet Lord was not forward enough to Lord was not forward enough to win at Wetherby, I am flying in the face of reason and take the The Tote Northern Hurdle is a race to be watched with the Schweppes Gold Trophy in mind. For Easterby, who saddled the first and second in the big Newbury race last year with Within the Law and Major Thompson. Thus two of his articles. son, runs two of his entries. Silver Shadow and Norton Cavaller.

McCaughey purchases leading stud

By Michael Phillips The sale of the famous Harwood Stud near Newbury in Berkshire was completed yesterday. Comprising just over 100 acres of excellent pasture, the stud has been sold by Herbort Blagrave, who bought it in 1941, to Jim McCaughey, a Midlands industralist, who has renamed it the Gainsborough Stud. renamed it the Gainsborough Stud.

The deal was handled by the Curragh Bloodstock Agency's Newmarket representative, David Mioton, who has been responsible for buying most of the numerous horses that Mr McCaughey now has in training with Fred Rimell, Michael Stoute and Gavin Pritchard-Gordon. When someone gets as smitten with the racing bug as he has been it must only be a matter of time before an interest in breeding is kindled, so it came as no surprise to me to hear at as no surprise to me to hear at Newmarket in December that Minton had just bought Mr McCaughey some mares at Tatter-salls Sales.

salls Sales.

Those mares are already justalled at the stud, which is where the 1918 triple crown winner, Gainsborough, was foaled, stood and is buried. At stud Gainsborough was an influential stallion. getting amonest others Byperion and Solario. The stud had to be feuamed because the old name is part and parcel of Mr Blagrave's company so it was only right that the new one should be Gains-borough.

It will continue under the man-

agement of Michael Goodbody, who has held the post for the past six and a half years. Reliance stood there until his death last year and before that, Match III and Tudor Miostrel. Yesterday Mr Goodbody told me that his new Goodbody told me that his new owner was hoping to get another top-class stallion for the stud in fine for the 1981 covering season. Over the years Mr Blagrave has bred a whole host of winners there. Happily this sale does not mean that he will be turning his back on the place. On the contrary. He intends keeping at least seven mares there, although most seven mares there, although most of his breeding stock along with his yearlings will be kept on his Irish stud in County Klidare.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: William Hill Yorkshire Handicap steeplechase. Doncaster: Devon Mignon.

\$367,000 for Conteh

John Conteh will earn a record \$367,000 for his return bout with the world light-heavyweight champion. Marthew Saed Muhammad. of United States. Purse offers for the contest were opened in Mexico City last night and the best bid was \$815.400 from the American promoting company. Top Rank. Conteh will probably train in the Caribbean to escape the English winter.

Haydock Park programme [Television BBC1: 1.00, 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 races]

1.0 PHILIP CORNES HURDLE (Novices qualifier: £1,698: 2m 6f) 131403 1123-9 440-034 00 421429 140 1.30 ROCHDALE STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £1,169: 2m) 44311 Hot Tomato (D), W. A. Stephenson, B-12-5 ... R. Lamb
2321 Solar Lad (D), G. R. Price, 10-11-12 ... Mr C. Price d
3-0224w Big Gingor, T. Fairhorst, 6-11-3 ... J. O'Neili
200 Cappello J. Webber, 9-11-5 ... A Webber
00-044 Elize Lady, M. Oliver, B-11-5 ... P. Hobbs
000-343 Hallo Dandy, D. McCain, 6-12-3 ... R. Barry
2040-44 Lyne Soy, D. McCain, 7-12-5 ... W. Beardwood 7
03-4277 Starlight Lad, R. Belhell, 6-11-5 ... G. Holmes
04, 12-1 Lyne Boy, 16-1 Others. 2.0 TOTE NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £3,869: 3m)

2-0 1018 NOKI BERN STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 13,869; 5m)

1 173-37; Ballet Lord (C.D.), N. Crubnp, *12-1 ... C. Hawkins

5 131-222 The Seige (O), d. Webber 10-11-12 ... A. Webber

5 1-22-37; Rollar-Coaster, F. Winter, 7-11-1 ... R. Berry

6 1-22-37; Rollar-Coaster, F. Winter, 7-11-1 ... R. Berry

7 12-2100 The Fencer (D), W. A. Stephenson, 8-10-12 ... R. Lamb

9 4-02-113 Jey (C.D.), P. Bovan, 9-10-6 ... P. Tuck 1

10 2-01-33 Keymanda, E. Carter, 7-10-5 ... D. Newil

11 0-20-22 Artistic Prince, Mrs J. Piman, 9-10-1 ... B. Smart

13 0-400-34 Ozsky (D), D. McCain, 7-10-0 ... R. Crank

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5-2 The Snipe, 7-3 Ballet Lord, 9-2 Roller Coastery 6-1 Havanus, 8-1 The

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C. Grey Moonsian, M. Tate, 8-11-1

Dounison, M. Tate, 8-11-1

Mr Grey Moonsian, P. Kelleway, 7-11-2

G. Enright

Pennins Barok, W. Wharion, 6-10-9

R. Lamb

Prescots (CD), G. Balding, 9-10-8

Brownier Gastle, M. H. Easterby, S-10-9

Dounison, M. Tate, 8-11-1

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Brownier Gastle, M. H. Easterby, S-10-9

David Peaks, R. Hollinshad, 7-10-6

C. Astbury

Peaks, R. Hollinshad, 7-10-6

C. Smith

4-1 Norton Cavaller, W. Tate, 6-10-0

C. Smith

A-1 Norton Cavaller, 9-2 Silver Shadow, 5-1 Owen Giln, 11-2 Broomiey, 7-1

Cover Your Money, 20-1 others.

3.0 OLDHAM STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,490: 2)m)

ERFIELD HURDLE (Selling handicap: £1,140: 2m)

Irish Prince (D). W. Wright, 7:11-10. D. Lancastef 2
Aller Stanwick (D). W. A. Stephenson, 7:11-10. P. Colling
Gullaway (D), R. Hollinshead. 7:11-0. Mr. J. Carden 7
Benny Hotland (D), E. Catter, 6:11-7
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Benny Hotland (D), Selling (S), Selling (S), B. Million 7
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Sandown Park programme

[Television: (IBA): 1.30, 2.0, 3.30 and 3.0 races] 1.0 STAND CHASE (Novices: 51,315: 2m 18yd)



2.0 ANTHONY MILDMAY, PETER CAZALET CHASE

(Handicap: £4,734: 3m 5f 18yd)

NE pip2-60 Stromboles (c1. P. Balloy, 0-11.4 R. Linley

501 020-313 Prince Rock (C0), P. Eulley, 12-16-7 R. Linley

502 210-220 Ben Nevis: T. Forster: 12-10-6 R. Divire

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113-143 Benchesty Forbleds

12-140 CHASTON R. J. Clark, 10-10-0 R. Brown

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3.0 EXPRESS CHASE (Handicap: £1,542: 2m 18yd) 5-2 Snowshill Major Owen. 3.30 VILLAGE HURDLE (4-y-o novices: £1,323: 2m)

Market Rasen programme

[Television: (ITV) 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 races] 12.45 BOSTON HURDLE (Selling handicap: £590: 2m)

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Haydock Park selections

By Michael Seely
1.0 Go Wimpy. 1.30 HOT TOMATO is especially recommended. 2.0
Ballet Lord. 2.30 Pearly Sandy. 3.0 Prince of Normandy. 3.30 Prindly
Friendly (if absent June King).

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2.15 CORAL GOLDEN HURDLE (Handicap: qualifier: £2,285:

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3 233401 Reman King (D). F. Walson, 4-11-10 Mr. F. Walson, 7

5 070702 Riessed Bay. M. Chamman, 8-11-5 Mr. N. Waggott. 10-11-3 Mr. N. Wilson, 7-11-3 Mr. N. Olivor, 7

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14 p2-00p Shawakaran, C. Richards, 7-11-3 Mr. N. Torthunter, 7

15 Car Hill, B. Richmond, 6-11-3 Mr. N. F. Hammer, 7

7-4 Canton Hall. 5-1 Roman King, 5-1 Biessed Boy, 6-1 Saucy Coin, 8-1

Doublist Funner

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 Gambling Prince. 1.30 RANDOM LEG is specially recommended. 2.0 Kas. 2.30 Rhyme Royal. 3.0 Pine Brook. 3.30 British Crown.

Market Rasen selections

By Michael Seely
12.45 Priddy Friendly (if absent Tidy Work). 1.15 Bamp. 1.45 DIKARO
LADY is specially recommended. 2.15 Mountain Hays. 2.45 Current
Gold. 3.15 Caxton Hali

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ALSO RAN: 7-2 Shackletons Filer,
14-1 Grand Armoe 1f. Steak Ruior,
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Royal (4th, Un Pour Tous, 23-1 Tile
Tac Musi. 35-1 Sasham Sir Vardon,
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Prince Pirate, Rosing Tourner (2),
Rema, Sister Buskins, Storm Prince,
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Folly (Mrs O. Emith), 6-11-3

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12-1 Cold Indian 1-1-1 All Forever, 13-21

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12-1 Cold Bound (14-1), 11-1 All Forever, 13-21

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IN BRIEF

Nigeria puts up price of crude oil to \$30 a barrel

Nigeria has increased the price of its crude oil from \$27 to \$30 a barrel, Mr Festus Marinho, the managing director of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation, said.

He said the price rise, effective from December 17, was intended to restore the "international competitiveness" of Nigeria's crude.

Nigeria's crude.
There had been reports that the country had increased its nil price to nearly \$35 a barrel, but Mr Marinho denied this. He said the oil increase would not affect the price of petrol-eum products sold to Nigerian

Clothing plant to close All 900 workers at the John Collier clothing factory in Middlesbrough were told yesterday that they will lose their jobs when the plant closes in April because of falling orders. John Collier is part of the United Drapery stores group.

US money supply up The United States basic money supply—M1—rose to a seasonally adjusted \$381,700m (about £173,500m) in the week ended December 26, from \$379,700m the previous week. The broader money supply, known as M2, rose to an aver-

age of \$949,500m in the week from \$947,000 a week ago, the Federal Reserve reported.

Textile talks resume Negotiators from Hongkong and America will resume talks in Hongkong next week on the 1980 application of the bilateral textile agreement. Hongkong is expected to restrain flexibility and to shift some exports from other years into 1980.

US mission to Tokyo

America plans to send Mr national trade negotiator, to visit Japanese government offi-cials in Tokyo to head off friction in trade relations. He will confer on the large increase in Japan's exports of cars and steel products.

Dearer smoking

Carreras Rothmens announced rises of 1p for a packet of 20 cigarettes on the recommended retail price of some brands to take effect next Wednesday. Some pipe tobacco prices rise by up to 1p on 25g packs.

Steel output jumps

European steel production rose to its highest level for three years last year according to estimates published yesterday by the EEC Commission.

Overall Community production was estimated to have totalled 140 million tonnes compared with 132 million tonnes in 1978 and 127 million tonnes in

Swedish reserves fall

The Bank of Sweden's foreign exchange reserves ended December at 15,210m Kronor (£1,653m) down from the Now ember figure of 15,580m Kronor (£1,693m) and 18,380m Kronor (£1,997m) at the end of 1978, a net drop of 3,170m Kronor (£344m).

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Wall Street up On the New York Stock Exchange yesterday the Dow Jones mdustrial average climbed 8.53 to 828.84. Against the SDR the US dollar was 1.32188 and the pound was 0.591220.

West Germany asks bankers to support list of sanctions against Iran

Brussels, Jan 4 The West German Government has proposed that the country's banks should adopt a tour-point list of sanctions against Iran in support of the United States struggle to secure the release of the American hostages in the Tehran embassy. The measures, drawn from a last month. long list of suggestions presented to the Bonn government at the beginning of last month by e visiting American delegation, were outlined last week in re-

presentatives of the nation's banking industry, government sources disclosed today. The Swiss National Bank in Zurich also confirmed that it has had at least two intensive contacts with the large Swiss banks at the highest level to

achieve a measure of solidarity with the Americans.

Dr. Gunter Obert, a state secretary at the Bonn finance ministry, met the German bankers a week ago and sug-gested that they should grant no new Credits to Iranian state or quasi-state institutions. He also proposed that no new

sight or term accounts should be opened for the official Irau-ian bodies at German banks; that there should be no increase in existing non-dollar deposits held by Iranian state or banking institutions; and that in the event of an Iranian bor-rower defaulting or otherwise not complying with the terms of an existing credit, the banks should not hesitate to declare it in default. It has been proposed that the

Oll company analysts are speculating whether the sharp cut in contract deliveries agreed with British Petroleum

and Shell this week may indi-cate that Iran is intending to cut its total production by a further one million bacreis a

Volumes of oil promised in

nine-month contracts to Shell and BP are less than half the quantities both companies were lifting in the final quarter of 1979 and a fraction of what

used to be delivered from Iran.
Both companies hope to be able to continue to meet the requirements of their group affiliates but much will depend

Talbot Motor Company, formerly Chrysler, was expected

to announce losses of about £40m in 1979, a company spokesman said yesterday. Strikes and the suspension of

deliveries of Avenger components to Iran are blamed for a doubling of losses. The contract for the Paykan, which is the Iranian name for the Avenger, accounted for 30 per cent of Talbare turnover.

Talbor's turnover.

Edward Townsend writes:
United Kingdom new car sales are likely to fall by about 12 per cent this year compared with 1979. By March, 1981, prices will have risen by a further 15-20 per cent, Mr Michael Lacey, director of Glass's Guide, the motor trade's chief source of price information, has forecast in the current issue of Credit, the journal of the Finance Houses Association. He expects sales to drop to 1.5 million against last year's record

lion against last year's record 1.7 million, with exports of fully assembled new cars un-likely to exceed 400,000 units, a slight fall on the 1979 figure.

With the United Kingdom motor industry facing the pros-

pect of reduced home sales and

a sluggish overseas market, total production will do well to pass the 1 million mark, says

Mr Lacey, and imports again will capture about 56 per cent

11p to 190p

of domestic sales.

Talbor's turnover.

puckage represents the farthest that the West German Covernment feit it could go in recommending financial sanctions from a long list of proposals produced by Mr Richard Cooper and Mr Anthony Solomon, the American junior ministers who visited Bonn

However, it appears that German bankers are not keen to accept the measures. Last week's meeting was the last of several and, although the government sources said it passed off more smoothly than earlier meetings is along that the meetings, it is clear that the various banking federations have strong reservations.

First there is an apparent difference in views over when the sanctions should be applied. The government apparently belieres that the banks should be applementing the four points even before the question of sanctions is raised in the United Nations Security Council. The banks on the other hand see the four points as applying only in the extreme case of the United Nations deciding to back the American case.

The banks are uncomfortable at the voluntary nature of the package and would prefer sanctions, if they must come, to be imposed under the wide pro-visions of the West German external economic policy law. This empowers the federal

government to restrict legally established transactions with institutions abroad in the in-

the last quarter of 1979 and

125,000 berrels a day and some products to BP instead of the former 365,000 barrels a day. The losses worry both. Shell

has had its Iraq supplies cut by 5 per cent; BP has lost 100,000 barrels a day from Nigeria and has had its Abu Dhabi supplies cut.

If gas compressors continue to work successfully on Shell/ Esso's Brent field in the North

Sea, production should be in-creased by 85,000 barrels a day without breaking government

flaring restrictions. Unless demand is reduced the added

supplies will not make up the amount the group has lost. If Iran produces, as Mr Ali

on the severity of the winter Akhbar Moinfar, the oil minister, has said it will, between larn is supplying 95,000 million and 3.5 million barbarrels a day to Shell in place of the 195,000 barrels a day in the system and BP and Shell ing.

by 20 per cent last year, resum-

ing a familiar trend after the

brief respite in 1978 when the

price of a typical new 1300cc car rose by only 12 per cent.

Datsun UK, which has remained quiet in recent months over the issue of Japan-

months over the issue of Japanese car imports, yesterday voiced bitter complaints against Britain's Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders for causing hardship to its dealers and giving the United Kingdom market "on a plate" to other

If sales had gone to BL, as was intended by the Japanese restraint on British sales, there could be less cause for com-

plaint, the spokesman said.

Clifford Webb writes: Imported

cars could account for 75 per cent of the British market by

April if the steel strike lasts for a month, it was claimed last night. This compares with the importers' present 60 per

Mr Tony Aplin, a senior partner of Aplin Phillimore Associates, the Wembley busi-

ness consultants specializing in

the motor industry, said: "BI are launching a major Super

deal sales campaign and this now runs the risk of stimula-ting a peak of demand when stocks become depleted."

cent market share.

foreign manufacturers.

Talbot UK expected to Bowring

announce £40m loss

Iranian oil cuts on Shell and BP

raise fears of wider clampdown

Bonn government sources, the of the external relations of the

federal republic. Bankers are also worried that any action they might be forced to take against from might have a negative effect on their business with other Third World nations and in particular reduce their role in handling the oil wealth of the Gulf

It appears that the authorities in Zurich have not gone as far in accommodating American wishes as those in Bonn. The Swiss National Bank did, however, inform the banking com-munity that the Americans did not wish to see Zurich taking over the Iranian business now barred to banks in the United

States.

Ronald Pullen, Banking Correspondent, writes: Anxious to discourage speculation that similar measures to those sugsimilar measures to those sug-gested to the German banks were contemplated in the United Kingdom, both the Bank of England and senior clearing bankers said last night that no contingency plans had been drawn up to govern British attitudes to Iran in the event of United National Commits (sage United Nations economic sanc-

Despite continuing discus-Despite continuing discus-sions between the clearers and the Bank of England over Iranian requests to withdraw funds from London, the hope is that banking relationships with Iran should function as nor-mally as noseible

mally as possible.
The Bank of England continue s to insist that any disputes between Iran and the British banking system should be settled through the courts It has been proposed that the terests of preventing a disturb- British banking system should banks adopt the measures on a ance of the peaceful coexistence be settled through the courts voluntary basis. According to of the peoples of the world or rather than by official action,

should be able to pick up what

volumes Iran appears to have

on the spot market without

reducing the price below the \$30 agreed in Shell, BP and

Japanese contracts. These contracts total about 720,000 barrels a day.

President Carter's embargo gives Iran an extra 700,000 barrels a day and there are few

obvious buyers for all Iran's available oil.

The obvious conclusion is that Iran plans to produce at nearer 2 million barrels a day. If so oil analysts still estimate

fails to halt

C. T. Bowring has apparently failed in its attempt to use the courts to ward off an

unwelcome takeover bid from Marsh & McLennan, the Ameri-

A Federal judge in New York rejected Bowring's appli-

cation for a restraining order designed to prevent Marsh from using confidential infor-mation supplied by the British

company during earlier nego-tiations on a premium peoling

A similar action by insurance brokers Bowring has yet to be heard in the High Court in

If the United States court action had been successful, Marsh could have been severely limited in a takeover bid

by Security & Exchange Com-mission rules which demand

full disclosure on the part of the bidder.

considering a bid after negotia-tions on the premium pooling plan broke down before Christ-

Marsh announced that it was

insurance broking com-

bid move

By Richard Allen

there is sufficient oil in

But there are doubts whether

is possible to offer the

is required.

Issue of £1,000m tap stock faces cool reception in market

its funding programme

herough the \$1,000m issue of a response to the issue may not, new gilt-edged stock, Exchequer however, worry the authorities.

Although they have not The stock will be offered for achieved a vast amount of through the \$1,000m issue of a 14 per cent 1984.

sale by tender next week, with application lists closing on Thursday morning. At the minimum tender price of £96} per cent, the running yield would be 14.51 per cent and the gross redemption yield 15.13

per cent. Initial market reaction was cool, and many stocks lost at least part of good gains scored stocks, for instance, often finished only 50p higher, having been up to 100p higher ahead of the Bank of England or redemption on March 3, will

The government is to con- attract any substantial application next week. A limited initial

> funding so far in the January banking month, they appear to be keener at this stage simply to see that there is an adequate supply of stock available over the next few weeks.
> This is because substantial

sums should become available for reinvestment. Large interest payments on existing gilt-edged stocks fall due in the last two

announcement.

The general feeling was that there would have to be appreciable improvement in the news

opt to take the cash.

The rights, which offer conversion into £110 nominal of a per cent stock redeemable in

background for the stock to the year 2000, cannot be con sidered attractive to most holders, and the Baok of England is counselling investors who feel uncertain to seek professional advice.

The generally firmer tone in the gilt market yesterday re-flected hopes that the steel dispute might be settled relatively quickly and without two many damaging consequences. Even so, the mood of the market remains cautious in the light of the international uncertainty and the expectation that it may be some weeks before domesti interest rates can start to fall

interest rates can start to fall significantly.

This mood of caution was also seen in the weekly Treasury Bill tender. For the second week running, the average rate of discount at which bills were allotted edged up marginally. The rise this week was from 15.8421 to 15.8434 per cent.

NEB may get more say on chief

Industrial Editor

The Government is considering tabling an amendment to the Industry Bill which will give the National Enterprise Board much greater influence in the appointment of future chief executives.

chief executives.

This more will be seen as a small, but significant victory for the new board and Sir Arthur Knight, its chairman, who were appointed by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, after the resignation of the former board manhor private than the restreyer. members over the controversial decision to switch respon-sibility for monitoring Rolls-Royce from the NEB to the Industry Department.

appointment of a chief executive is made mandatory instead of voluntary, and it is insisted that the chief executive should be a board member. The choice is a decision for the Industry

The former board and Sir Leslie Murphy, its chairman, criticized the proposed change in the existing legislation and said that the present arrange-ments reflected a proper divi-sion between policy functions and management functions and management functions.

The changes contained in the

Bill, it was argued, carried the risk of confusing reporting lines as well as a step in the Royce from the NEB to the direction of government inter-ndustry Department.

Under the provisions of the functions of the NEB.

Under its new chairman the present board, having similar misgivings, appointed Mr Ian Halliday as chief executive from the beginning of next

his appointment followed an approach from Sir Arthur Knight and was made with the approval of Sir Keith Joseph.

Mr Alexander Fletcher, Under-Secretary of State at the Secretary Office and the The Scottish Office, said: "The Government's preliminary view is that it would be right to give the board of the NEB and that of each of the agencies (the Scottish and Welsh Development Agencies) a reasonable degree of influence in the selection of the chief executive with whom they will be expected to

Ford of US in court action over liability

starts next week in a small courtroom in the Midwest of the United States could have widespread implications for the legal liability of a manufacturer for his products.

The Ford Motor Company is charged with the "reckless homicide" of three teenage girls who died when their Ford Pinto burst into flames after a

On Monday in Winamac, Indiana, Ford will defend the charges arising from that crash. A grand jury has in essence accused America's second-largest car maker of building and selling a car with the knowledge that its petrol tank posed a hazard in a rear-end collision, and of then doing nothing about the the seamons under theired. it. The company, under United States government pressure, later recalled about 1.5 million Pintos for modification.

A small band of volunteer legal experts and a part-time county prosecutor will be opposing the car manufacturers.

The issues stretch far beyond the safety of design of the Pinto, United States' Ford's smallest car.

The trial is bound to raise important questions about the legal liability that any manufacturer bears for its products, and could influence thinking in consumer-product throughout the United States.

If Ford lost the case the maximum fine of \$30,000 would look paltry beside the civil lawsuits to follow, which already total more than \$1,000m in claims.

A worker at Presman's, the precious metal dealers in Hatton Garden, London, melting down everything from watch chains to cigarette cases and wedding rings yesterday-all items bought over their counter as customers cashed in on the soaring price of gold.

Bullion price drops to \$590 on profit taking

tends to damp down activity in the market.

The Paris market, which had retreat yesterday. At the morning bullion fix, "spot" lost 185.05p to 1463.05p per troy sharply in price on Thursday, had to suspend them because they fell so much yesterday. Bowring is still free to pursue an action against Marsh on the use of confidential information but it cannot now prevent the American group launching the bid.

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was also down slightly at 70.3
per cent, a fall of 0.2 per cent.
Markets throughout Europe
were heavily influenced by the
uncertainty caused by the imminence of the weekend. No one
wants to lock himself into a
position on Friday night which
could be embarrassing by.
Sunday or Monday.

Dealers in the gold markets
have responded in the traditional way, widening the spread
between the price at which
they buy gold and the price at
which they self to \$10, a far
higher figure than usual. This
tends to damp down activity lar sharp rise.
Silver prices continued to

By Michael Binyon that are no Moscow, Jan 4 with the The cause of the gold fever machinery. that are not economic if mined with the vast strip-mining now sweeping the money markets of London, New York The miners have to turn their gold in to the state and are and Hongkong was the capital-ist system itself, the communist paid according to its value. They work in conditions of Isolation and in a harsh, remote party newspaper Pravda said loday. No matter how western polilandscape and are usually only able to operate during the ticians and economists try to blame some extraneous factor, Western economists estimate that until recently the cost of such as price increases on oil,

for the growing difficulties, the cause of the crisis is the very higher than the price of it on system that rests on private the world markets. But this is property and the exploitation of man by man, the paper said. Capitalism was characterized for the Russians is worth con-y its spontaneous character and siderably more than the fixed y the squandering of re- exchange rare. by its spontaneous character and by the squandering of re-

But the Russians are well placed to take quick advantage of this chronic illness. They have some of the largest deposits of gold in the world. The subject of gold, however, is a closely guarded state secret. Production figures are not issued and no Russian will ever talk about how gold is sold, in what quantities, or where. Westerners have never been

allowed to visit Soviet gold producing areas or to speak those involved in the metal's extraction.

The main gold producing areas are in Siberia along the banks of the Lens river. The banks of the Lene river. The deposits are generally stripmined using large machines. But the Russians do allow a system reminiscent of California during the gold rush—individual panning and mining by ticensed operators.

These miners are generally experienced people who have worked for the state gold mining to concern and have acquired.

ing concern and have acquired enough money to buy bull-dozers themselves.

Working usually in groups of about 30, they are encouraged to exploit the smaller deposits

Russians well placed to benefit from West's gold fever

GOLD PRICE dollars/oz Jul (Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

The Russians sell gold fairly

regularly each year, dealing through banks in Zurich. They

are not known to have sold on

lion markets.

the Hongkong or Loudon bul-

There is no indication that

the Russians have taken advantage yet of the spectacular rise in the price of gold, although jewellery made of gold and sold in tourist shops in Maccoun increased considerably

Moscow increased considerably

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in price in the summer.

Stores group denies sale of outlets

Speculation in the stock mar-ket that Combined English

Stores is about to make a major disposal was dismissed yesterday by Mr Murray Gordon, the company's chair-"Not only are we not sell-ing any of our subsidiaries, but

we are about to make a couple of purchases", he said. In the market it is being suggested that the group is having problems with Harry Fenton and Kendall & Sons, its

fashion outlets, after difficult autumn and winter seasons experienced by most companies in this sector.

Wallis Fashions, a similar retail outlet, had to be rescued by Sears Holdings at the end of last year after heavy losses and both Fenton and Kendali are thought to have been losing money in the current year.

For the past two months there has been much speculation that Fenton was up for sale. This has been denied by Mr Gordon.

Just before Christmas Mr Edward de Winter, joint managing director of CES, announced his resignation. Although no comment or reason was given at the time, he admitted last night that "irreconcilable differences of opinion culminating in a flam- tain lines of business,

ing boardroom row" had led to his parting.
It is thought that he was unable to agree with Mr Gordon about the future of the Harry Fenton men's retailing

In the past six months the CES share price has been underperforming in the stores sector and among the clothing groups it has only managed to perform better than Wallis Fashions.

In June CES raised £4m by a two for five rights issue at 52 p. Last month the group paid up to £5m for M. Mercado, 2 carpet importer and wholesaler. In the wake of CES's poor first half profits, which slipped from £1.7m to £400,000 pre-tax, and the difficult trading conditions for stores groups, City analysts have been downgrading forecasts for year-end results. Most estimates now centre on £3.5m for the year to January

As an underwriting member of the Sasse insurance syndicate at Lloyd's, Mr Gordon faces problems elsewhere. The 116 members of the syndicate face claims of more than £20m (related to business in the United States) and Mr Gordon is among one group of mem-bers which is embroiled in a dispute with Lloyd's over cer-

31, 1980, compared to a previous

PRICE CHANGES

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24p to 290p

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Northerners prepare for big sales campaign with cheaper pints

Beer fight for the clubs comes to a head

the Newcastle upon Tyne-based cooperative, is set for substantial sales expansion from the middle of next month, including supplying non-club outlets in the free

Notably cheaper beers produced by the

Fed, as it is better known, have already appeared in some places in the south of England, including the bar of the House of Commons. But next month the Fed's new brewery at Dunston, near Newcastle, comes into operation, quadrupling produc-tion capacity to 40,000 barrels a week.

It will mean an increased sales thrust that will still largely be towards the club (there are 32,000 clubs compared with 2,000 pubs in the free trade) but the Fed is also ready to supply pubs or off-licences. With the large commercial brewers tending to reduce their number of tied houses, which are usually sold off into the free trade, the price competition offered

marginal factor in the pubs sector. However, the immediate battleground will be the clubs of all kinds into which the Fed has already made great penetration after its beginnings in supplying the northern working men's clubs. The Fed at present has 700 club share-

holders and trades with a further 600 clubs as well as a few non-club outlets in the North-east. The major brewers have slices of the club trade but inroads by the Fed could prove stiff competition, particularly for some regional browers. particularly for some regional brewers. There is often a price difference of 4p to 5p a pint at the bar with club beers compared to prices in the pubs. But the Fed also as a cooperative hands back cash dividends to customers of £4.50 a

This gives markedly better returns than the quantity discounts offered by other brewers, it claims. The Fed has

lately been handing back around £2m a year to club outlets under this scheme. It also makes loans to clubs.

Mr Leslie Hutchison, the Fed's general secretary, was anxious yesterday to play down any suggestion of an all-out national sales campaign but said that there had been approaches about supplies from all over the country.

A likely sector for expansion from York are clubs catering for miners in the York-shire as well as the East Midlands coal-

But the Fed is not underestimating the strength of the opposition from the commercial breweries. It has still to win back all of the sales lost during a five-week strike in the middle of last year.

It is still running slightly below its current production capacity of between 10,000 and 11,000 barrels a week.

Derek Harris

You don't lose by taking a profit . . .

gold. Whether you own coins, tive. bullion, jewelry, investments Bu linked to the gold price or favourable if you have held simply granny's trinkets, pre- gold for some time. Selling now sent prices look good, despite yesterday's hiccup.

The longer you have held the item, the greater the capital the future. for hanging on in the hope of even higher prices. Some gold objects may be worth more melted down than whole.

In the normal way, gold investment in any form is strictly for the punters or the pessimists (in this market they are frequently one and the same) and actually to buy gold now is a gamble. Even if the price does go up again after Friday's stumble, you are faced with guessing when to sell—and with guessing when to sell—and the simple fact that interest

But the sums look much more yields a sure and sizable profit; while risking higher gold prices offers only possible profit in

Krugerrands, the popular one ounce South African gold coins, indicate how the market has moved—and how tricky it can be. About five years ago one Kruger would have cost about £70, but on Thursday the selling price was £288. It fell back yesterday though to £274. Over the past year alone "Krugers" have doubled in

value, however.

The same considerations apply to bullion proper, made more attractive by the abolition of exchange controls, and to



If you have held gold for some time, selling becomes attractive.

It is a tempting time for selling rates are an attractive alterna- paper gold investments such as gold futures offered in New York and Chicago.

The point about bullion, however, is that it incurs VAT. whereas coins such as Krugers, sovereigns, Canadian "Maple Leaves" and various Chinese offerings are regarded as legal

There is also the little matter of capital gains tax. All bullion, coins and jewelry are liable, above the usual exemption. Moreover, it is possible for the Inland Revenue to charge in-come tax if your transactions are considered to constitute dealing, rather than investment. Nevertheless, gold is no more penalized in these respects than other investments.

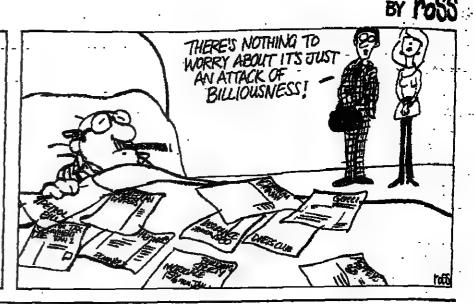
Tax on gold investment can be avoided entirely only by betting—literally. I. G. Index runs a betting service based on price movements in the metal. as well as in other commodities. Business has boomed in the last

But, here again, it all de-pends on which way you think the price will move. The con-solation with I. G. Index is that you can also bet on the price falling.

HOFF of HEYBRIDGE HEATH







Grouse

One of the acknowledged uncertainties in the eighties is the future of life assurance income tax relief. When premiums became payable net of 171 per cent tax relief last April there was a strong belief that the tax concession was doomed. The return of a Conservative Government, wedded to the concept of lower taxes for all and few tax advantages for some, has not altered the outlook.

So why is at least one insurance company marketing and advertising its savings scheme on the basis of net costs? There is nothing wrong with it, but it could mislead investors-particularly those who fail to read the box of small print which points out that the net cost will vary if there are changes in tax relief.

In fact, a policy sold almost exclusively on the basis of a Michael Prest within a policy's qualifying life span of 10 years.

No tax payable on sale of 'main residence'

I purchased my flat in which I after buying the article? (A. P. lived in March, 1978, and completed the sale of it a few The test is whether the ardays ago. But from the proceeds ticle is fit for its purpose—ie, I am buying a half-interest in to be worn. Does the flaw on a house already occupied by a the front of the blouse render friend. What is the tax situation, or likely to be, bearing in mind that I made a "profit"? (D. B., Surrey).

To be worn, both the law of the blouse render it untit to wear? If so, you are entitled to your money back unless the defect was obvious. For example, where you have

It does not matter what you have done with the proceeds from the sale of your flat—the tax status of the "profit" is quite unaffected by the way you have applied the monies you received. Therefore if—as it would appear—the flat which you purchased in March, 1978, was your main residence, the gain that you have made is free of capital gains tax.

house the gain each of you make will be tax free, providing of course it has been the main residence of each of you, and the law has not changed in the meantime.

Can you offer some guidance on articles bought in sales? I found a beautifully embroidered blouse, which fitted me per-fectly, and was about to hand over my cheque, when my hus-band detected a small hole in the front, which deterred me from buying it. Can you advise me whether I would have been entitled to have my money back, had I discovered the hole

For example, where you have examined an article before buy-ing it, you are assumed to have seen defects such as holes which your examination ought to have revealed. If so you cannot return it.

Generally, when an article is purchased in a sale, one is entitled to assume that it is as good as new and that the reduc-tion in price is attributable only free of capital gains tax.

Likewise, if in due time you stock. On the other band, an and your friend sell your joint house the gain each of you perfect or "substandard". perfect " or "substandard". Even so, the buyer is entitled to assume that any imperfection relates to ornament or finish. and not to a latent defect which will render it unusable. More-over, the buyer is entitled to ask and to be told the exact nature of the imperfection, is order to make up his mind whether it is worth buying.

> My neighbour and I have a working arrangement whereby we borrow each other's cars when necessary, subject to it



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have an accident the result could be that he would lose his no-claim discount, or part of it, and I would also lose my discount, even though I was not driving my car? (D. F. Tauto-

That used to be the position, where a third party was involved, since the accidental damage would have been covered by your neighbour's policy, but the third party claim would have been covered by your own policy. The position, however, has changed and now the whole being mutually convenient. Am claim would be met by your I right in thinking that if I am neighbour's policy and so it is

I am planning to take an extended holiday in the United States and fully appreciate that I should arrange a high level of insurance cover to meet the cost of hospital accommodation, surgeons' fees and so on. If, however, the worst should happen, I should not wish to be incarcerated in an American hospital for weeks on end. far from family and friends. Is it possible to arrange insurance so that I could be repatriated and taken to a hospital near my home? (A. D., Manchester).

Europ Assistance Ltd, which has made a name for itself in providing this type of service for people travelling to the Continent, is now including the United States. Its Croydon headquarters is open 24 hours a day throughout the year and in the event of an emergency it can lay on whatever is best from the medical point of view. Typically, a patient can be brought back with a doctor, nurse and medical equipment in a screened-off portion of a normal scheduled passenger-carrying aircraft.

My eiderly, widowed mother lives by herself in a house with a relatively high market value, but needs more income. Am I right in thinking that she can market see the house to increase mortgage the house to increase

suffer a loss of discount at viving child, it would make fin-renewal.

The sum of the course for me for her to take that course (with the most

take that course (with the house being sold to pay off the mortgage at her death), rather than for me to try to help her financially, on a regular basis, at this stage. (A. G., Nuneaton.)

Yes, there is a limited marker for the type of arrangement which you mention. As a "package deal", a mortgage can be arranged and the loan can be used to purchase an immediate used to purchase an immediate annuity. Part of the benefits from that service the mortgage loan (but full relief of tax is allowed on interest to service a loan up to £25,000), and the balance, after tax, represents * spendable income ".

A specialist firm of brokers in this field, Hinton & Wild (Insurance) Ltd, says that, for the plan to work, a widow (or single woman) must be at least 68. Incidentally, for a single man or widower, the minimum age is 65 and for joint lives (eg. a married couple) each most be at least 75. The higher a person's age, the more satisfactory the arrangement be-comes, in terms of "spendable income" which can be made

If your mother should enter into such an arrangement, and then decides to live with you, or so into a nursing home, the go into a nursing home, mortgage could be repaid from sale proceeds of the house and the full amount of the annuity benefit would continue

Round-up



Soldiers, for some reason, seem to be more vulnerable to "hard-sell" insurance sales talk than most people. The Army is well aware of the financial pitfalls facing its men and women and two years ago called in consultants to evaluate the needs of the "Professionals" and then asked for tenders from the

financial institutions.

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Wrightson, which already provides some services for the
armed forces, and specialist
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together as Armed Forces
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"won" the contract and its
Army Foundation Saving Plan
has the official seal of approval
The monthly commitment, to The monthly commitment, in multiples of £5, goes entirely to the Britannia Building Society at first. Once £150 has been accumulated two insurance accumulated two insurance and insuran policies are automatically activated as well. Both are with the Royal. One is a 10-year endow-ment and the other a 25-year contract where 40 per cent of the premiums are allocated to other building societies.

A financial counselling service is also included with the package. scheme is simple. It is based on a single payroll deduc-tion and it can be maintained by a bank standing order once

GENERAL.

Friars House

T & G/Barbican

a military career is over.

The concentration on building society links should not mislead soldiers into thinking that the savings plan promises a mortgage. It does not as the scheme literature will make clear Rive to will enter a scheme to the savings of the savings of the scheme literature will make clear. But it will give service-men a place in the mortgage queue and the means of making their deposits grow.

● The first new unit trust of the 1980 season is Chieftain Trust Managers' Smaller Companies Trust which made its debut on Wednesday. It is also the first unit trust to incorporate higher charges after the year-end relaxation on fees, The initial fee is the standard

5 per cent but the annual fee is per cent. The fund will con-centrate on United Kingdom equities with a market capitaliz ation of less than £10m, with the portfolio limited to about

 If anyone had any doubts about the great wave of eathufor short-term income bonds, the year-end figures from Albany Life should convince them. New single premium business increased by 187 per cent to £26.8m—of which £11m represented one and four-year

Specialist funds shine

memorable one for the Britannia Trust Managers and the unitholders whose fancy turned to thoughts of gold and other metals a year ago. The compre-hensive list of United Kingdom authorized unit trusts published below shows just how well Britannia's two leading funds have performed.

Unit trusts

The Minerals fund pipped the Gold and General fund to the post with a rise of 109.5 per cent (income rein-vested) against 100.7 per cent. Very few shares managed to turn in such a spectacular performance last year.

Of course, there was more to Britannia than its metal funds. Its Universal Energy fund was third overall in the league tables,

Also in the top ten was the Commodity Share fund. Being in the right sectors helped, naturally, but Credit must be given to Britannia, which just had the edge on all its rivals with similar specialist funds. These pages have long been supporters of the specialist fund concept, particularly as unitholders are becoming both

cated unitholder could be. Most people were aware of

problems of 1979 and how much more sense ir made to concentrate on those four funds, up between 57 and 75 per cent; devoted to oil shares and shares in industries as-sociated with oil.

But just as every dog has its off day as well as its good one, so, too, do specialist funds. Do you remember the Japanese share funds and how well they did the previous year? Well, they are certainly looking a bit "off" when it comes 1979. They are languishing at the bottom of the tables, with S & P Japan Growth having the dubious distinction of being the worst performing fund of

the year, down 21 per cent. Why? It was oil again, of course. Japan is vulperable to the impact of higher priced oil and the boom years its economy has enjoyed seem to be ending. And whatever happened to

more sophisticated and more the income funds? There was interested in taking at least a time, not very long ago, when some investment decisions themselves. Last year demonstrated how successful a dedistrated with the state of the income unit trusts. The philosophy worked for a while too-and may indeed do so again if we enter another bear

market or get stuck in an equity doldrums.

But 1979 was not a year for such funds. Despite the reinvested income, only a third them managed merely to stand still.

However, it must be notedthe Japanese specialist furds apart—most of the unit trusts managed not to lose too much money for unit holders byty the range of 10 per cent up and 10 per cent down, which is neither much to write home about nor a source of worry.

It is, in fact, much in line with the movement of the stock market as a whole. The value of £100 invested in the Financial Times all share index became £108.2—or £91.7 if the FT industrial ordinary share index were chosen.

Margaret Stone

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Your holiday cash should go further

be expected in the coming year of recession, higher prices and low wage rises, it is that millions of Britons should feel a little better off during their annual summer pillerimage. To study of world living costs, car hire in Japan last April cost 54,800 yen (about £120) a week. Today this sum is worth £103. A double room in a good hotel cost £40 per night and, at the annual summer pillerimage. annual summer pilgrimage to same rate in yen, is now under the world's sun spots.

Thanks to the continuing strength of the pound against the currencies of most of the leading holiday countries, British tourists ought to find that despite inflation the cost in sterling of enjoying the delights of the bars and night clubs of the Costa del Soi or the Venetian Riviera is the same or

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The Heuley Centre for Fore-casting reckons that the pattern will remain to the end of 1980 when the pound should be worth \$2.4, 144 pesetas and 1.770 lire. While retail prices in the United Kingdom are predic-ted to rise by 16.4 per cent this year, inflation is expected to be
16 per cent in Spain, 15 per cent
in Italy and only 9.5 per cent
in the United States.

Japan clearly will become
more attractive this year, although the cost of getting there

remains high, with air fares ranging from around £600 to about £1,400 for the full economy return. A minuscule inflation rate and the larger depreciation of the yen, however, have made domestic prices, converted into sterling,

According to the Confedera-tion of British Industry's letest

Denmark—krone

Greece-drachma Italy-lire

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Investor's week

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an evening meal for four in a fashionable Italian restaurant was put at 120,000-180,000 lire last June, a sum that has since fallen in value from £72-£107 to £67-£101.

But probably the most attractive place of all to take those koliday pounds this year will be tian Riviera is the same or cheaper than last year.

Exchange rates, of course, can fluctuate greatly, but it is generally accepted that the pounds in the pockets of Britain's four million package tour holidaymakers will retain their relatively high spending power. In the last 12 mouths the pound has appreciated against most foreign currencies, including the Japanese yen, by an average of 6.4 per cent.

The table shows that sterling has increased its value against the currencies of Britons' fav-

has increased its value against the currencies of Britons' favourite holiday countries to an extent that will absorb local inflation and particularly in the case of the Umited States, provides a little extra spending vides a little extra spending costs. Hotel workers in countries like Spain and Portugal base become more militant and have become more militant and their higher wages are reflected in increased accommodation

> The one big uncertainty this year will be the surcharge that operators will slap on their cus-tomers. Last year, holiday companies guaranteed that the surcharge would not exceed £6 per person per week; this year it is a maximum of £10.

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But by most standards, a twoweek inclusive holidav in a
Mediterranean resort hotel is
still remarkable value for
money. A cursory scan of the
brockures shows that a fortnight in August on, say, Spain's
Costa Brava, in Majorca or
Greece can be bought for £150£250 per person and in many
cases children's rates are much
reduced.

Edward Townsend

Some people argue that gold fever, and Afghan wars have dealt the dollar a deadly blow.

I demur. I still think that the

price of oil will soften as a surplus of it reappears; and

surplus of it reappears; and that most Opec countries need to keep oil flowing to pay for expensive industrialization.

We should be thinking less about the United States and more about the huge profits to be taken in gold and oil. There are signs that this is getting under way as hopes of steel peace wax rather than wane.

The danger now is that we will grow feverish in our cheer. On Friday alone the FT index

will grow teverish in our cheer.
On Friday alone the FT index
leapt 7 points. Take no notice.
We should keep our heads
down until interest rates really.

day's new tap stock suggests that the authorities are taking

Gold rise

Peter Wainwright

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HOW THE POUND HAS RISEN IN VALUE

Equities and gilts keep

It was not just the new year strike and interest on borrowed

world has changed a great deat in one week, despite gyrations in gold.

So Johnson & Firth Brown, in steel, point out that profits

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

RISES

FALLS

Fodens 3p to 35p Half-time loss
Taylor Woodrow 12p to 319p Contracting lears

30p to 412p

28p to 233p

80 to 16p

\$3 to \$16 Bullion

5p to 190p Cheap buying

their heads down

gin and Drambuie that made us feel liverish. A few brokers happily helped Arabs out of

dollars and into gold, silver and platinum but many more had

pane. Imagine their yearning as they gazed across a cheerful room at a crackling fire rising

higher and higher. Indeed, most of us were so

indeed, most or us were so miserable that we had no stomach for the usual new year boomlet in share tips. Like Hume's Treatise of Human Nature, they "fell dead-born from the press". Over the week, the FT index wilted from

417.8 to 413.9.

The trouble is that the stock

market is now so professional; and professionals tend to agree with each other. All agree that shares will go down in the next

shares will go down in the next few months; and nearly all maintain that by next December they will well up on the year. But, if so, why buy even good shares now, when they can be bought later on more cheaply?

It is not as if our investment

world has changed a great deal

in gold.
So Johnson & Firth Brown, in steel, point out that profits of £10.2m in the 15 months to last September would, allowing

for inflation, have been losses of £4.5m; so Fedens, the lorry people, blame the engineering

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EDITED BY MARGARET STONE FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Booker McConnell to pay £10m for K & T

By Rosemary Unsworth horrowings during the Booker McConnell, the inter-period amounted to 56m. national food, engineering and trading group, yesterday com-pleted its acquisition of Kearley and Tonge, a food wholesaling business owned by International Stores, a subsidiary of BAT

Industries.

Booker is paying about £10m in cash for the operation, which will be based on K and T's net tangible assets as at December 29, 1979, and an agreed valuation of its freehold and leasehold properties which will be acquired directly from International Stores. Booker has already paid £4.9m of the consideration and will pay the balance within fourteen days of the finalization of the figures, which are expected to be comwhich are expected to be com-plete before the end of next

month.

K and T's annual turnover is about £150m; compared with Booker Belmont Wholesale's £340m annual turnover. K and T's made a £2.2m trading loss in the year ending September 29, 1979, after charging exception. tional items of £1.1m resulting from the closure of several loss-making depots. Interest on

Booker's board said that by combining K and T's business with Booker Belmont Wholesale, sayings will be made on central administration costs and there will also be benefits from improved buying terms.
Rationalization in the cash

and carry operations and the delivered trade activities is also planned which will result in redundancies. K and T's 41 cash and carry warchouses, which account for 80 per cent of its wholesale business, are complementary to Booker's as they are sited in the south of England, South Wales and London. The

delivered catering supply side has ten depots, nine of which are in England and one in Booker said that K and T will be restored to profitability in 1980 and make a contribution to group profit in the first year, which in 1978 stood at £23.3m on turnover of £588m.

In 1979 Booker spent £2.5m in new businesses, compared to £13m the previous year.

B Paradise slips

Fur coat manufacturers B with the last six months.

Paradise plunged into deeper losses during the six months.

Since the chairman's losses during the six months to July 31, 1979. At the half-way stage the company produced a deficit of £174,000 compared with £48,000 in the same period

last year.
Sales in the first-half fell from £1.1m to £967,000 but the directors attribute this to customers not wanting to take delivery of orders until well into the second half. The last six months are expected to show a higher comparative sales figure reflecting later deliveries. The directors point out that the picture is made to look worse by the seasonal nature of the trade and the first half

since the chairman's annual statement. Stoy Hayward's senior partner Mr Alfred Davis has been brought in as the company's financial advisor. Mr Davis joined Paradise last summer with a view to joining the board but the company has announced that he ltas accepted the position of chairman and succeeds Mr Gerald Paradise. Over the past two years the company's margins have been under pressure from rapidly rising raw material costs

But the board report they are now achieving health-ier margins and the second half is showing greater profit-ability. Stock markets

Equities advance: golds ease back

steel dispute gave the rest of the market the chance it had waited for to stage a rally managed a rise of 3p to 236p vesterday, as the profit takers and 144p respectively while pulled out of gold.

Equities moved forward on a broad front accompanied part of the way by gilr edged securities. But dealers re-ported very little actual business and the raily was described as mainly technical.

As the price of bullion slipped back from \$630 to \$590.

an ounce as a result of profit taking, so did gold shares following their recent spec-tacular gains.

EMI's 81 per cent convertible unsecured loan stock 1981 is now 94. It is repayable at par but Thorn may well make an offer attractive enough to secure immediate redemption, or get the trustees to agree to a switch into Thorn shares at some future date. With several dividend payments to come, the stock still has appeal.

It proved to be quite an eventful day for gilts. After a slow start they picked up around mid-morning along with the rest of the market on hopes of a solution to the steel problem with gains of £½ to £1 throughout the list. But the announcement of a new "tap" after hours of £1,000m Exchequer 14 per cent 1984, things took a turn for the worse. Longs finished with gains of about £½ to £½ but shorts showed only small shorts showed only

After starting the day only 0.7 up the FT Index went on to finish 7.0 up at 413.9 aided by a strong performance from GEC and Thorn. This left the index down 3.9 on the week or

0.9 per cent. Leading industrials provided a firmer spot than of late. are shown on a gross basis. Fixons improved 5p to 262p and and earnings are net, a=loss.

Reports that there was still gains of 4p were witnessed in a faint hope of resolving the steel dispute gave the rest of and Dunlop, which benefited from some press comment at 56p. Bowater and BAT's both

> Glaxo was 1p firmer at 436p. Electricals, which had been under a lot of pressure of late with worries over the Middle East and fears of more take over still in the offing, turned in a good performance although in a good performance although most of it was due to jobbers being caught short of stock. Thorn led the way with a rise of 10p to 250p where some market lines of thought was that shareholder in EMI who had accepted the shares and cash offer were now ploughing their money back into Thorn. Racal was another strong performer 11p up at 190p closely

former 11p up at 190p closely shadowed by GEC 7p better at 336p. News that Tyco Laboratories had increased its stake to 141 per cent stirred up more rumours that it may soon launch a full scale bid for Muirhead which finished 8p stronger at

268p.

Hopes that a solution may be Hopes that a solution may be found to the national steel strike saw a better performance from engineers which had had a rough ride in the past few days. GKN was 8p higher at 241p, Metal Box put on 12p to 234p, Vickers gained 7p to 106p while Tubes improved 6p to 256p.

on the bid front Highland Distillers firmed 1p to 141p after its recent dull spor while hopes of a bid from Croda lifted Silkolene 7p to 150p. G. T. Bowring continued to lose

S. & W. Berisford 7p to 151p 62 p. Other firm spots included United Scientific at 12p up at 358p and BET 4p higher at 119p. Associated Newspapers with figures out soon improved 5p to 251p and 5 p. 10 251p with figures our soon improved 5p to 251p and Ratners also reporting soon jumped 7p to 58p. Speculative demand lifted Aran Energy 24p to 220p but profit taking clipped Johnson Matthey 5p to 228p.

Profit taking saw gold shares fly into reverse with the Gold Mines Index dropping 22.9 to 280.2 Anglo American Gold dipped \$15\} to \$84\}, Vaal Reefs \$3\} m \$63\} and West Driefontein \$3\} to \$68\}. Among the smaller mines Leslie fell 30 smaller mines Leslie fell 30 cents to 300 cents and Venterspost \$1 to \$91. The London financials saw Cons Gold slip 70 to 412p, RTZ 11p to 344p, Tanks 18p to 248p and De Beers D'fd \$1 to \$101. In platinums limpals shed 20p to 250p while Rustenburg fell 43p to 235p.

Australians continued to decline following recent adverse

ground since its decision to take the second liners Lasmo was on Marsh & Maclellan to court 7p better at 3400 and Attock of the second liners Lasmo was on dipping 1p to 122p.

Favourable comment lifted A bullish circular on banks

left the four major clearing banks looking healthier with National Westminster and

Tyco Laboratories has raised its shareholding by a further 83.000 shares to make it 14.1 per cent. So hopes of a bid are, growing even though it said early last month that its newly acquired 121 per cent stake was not a bid prelude. It is feared that Murhead's profits, due later this month will show a

Both property and insurances were better with Hammerson "A", a volatile stock of late, jumping 20p to 715p. Elsewhere the gains were more sub-dued, MEPC and Land Secst. qued. MEPC and Land Secs a were both 2p firmer at 159p and 247p. GRE expanded 4p to 226p with Commercial and General Accident both 2p up at 134p and 216p as Royal advanced 3p to 313p.

Equity turnover

decline following recent adverse comment "down under" with Poseidon 12p off at 120p, Ashton Mining 5p lighter at 146p and Northern Mining retreating 7p to 138p.

News that oil quotas had been settled with Iran had little effect on the shares of BP unchanged at 338p and Ultramar at 418p but Shell Racal, Vickers and Furness improved 6p to 320p. Among

Latest results

mpany or Fin nam Pallet (F)	Sales 5m 3.39(3.2)	Profits 5m 0.08(0.27)	Earwings per share 4.91(12.78)	Div pence 2,5(4,25)	Pay date 3:3	Year's total 3.5(6.25)
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Howard & Wyndham passes pref.

for shareholders in the publishing-to-jewellery group Howard and Wyndham which passed a final dividend last summer.

Howard and Wyndham's directors have decided it would

directors have decided it would be imprudent to pay a dividend this mouth on the 9 per cent Convertible Cumulative Re-deemable preferred shares 1999 and the 9 per cent special con-vertible cumulative redeemable preferred shares 1999.

The directors can that the

The directors say that the decision has been taken not to pay a dividend because of the unsettled future of the general publishing trade. For the year to June 30, 1979, Howard and Wyndham

produced pre-tax losses of more than £500,000 compared with a profit in the previous year of £315,000.

The situation, say the direcand if the year-end results show an improvement the full-year dividend on these shares will money for the reappearance of losses; so the Department of be declared.

Basle, Jan 4.—Ciba-Geigy AG's earnings last year were not quite up to expectations, the chairman, Herr Louis von Planta said in the company's

house journal, but he gave no

figures.
This was the result of the

company not being able to pass on higher costs, mainly caused

by inflation, due to competitive

reasons or government inter-vention. Group net profit in 1978 fell to 360m francs from 420m francs in the previous

Herr von Planta said, how-

ever, that volume sales were good, bur again gave no figures. Group sales in 1978 fell from 9,940m to 8,930m francs.—

Paris.—Ste Fonciere et Financiere Agache-Willot has completed its 700m franc takeover of the textile con-

cern Groupe Boussac, first announced in August, 1978.

Agache-Willot

FMC completes pig unit sale

Industry tells us that business-men will probably spend even less on plant and stocks this year than it feared last autumn. into tell like little orphans
in the wet and wintry cold with
moses pressed to the window
pane. Imasine their received. The board of FMC has com-pleted the sale to Northern Pig Development of FMC's pig development unit at Calne, Wiltshire. The sale includes the land, buildings, equipment and stocks of this unit included the may lead to Hoge sale. times, but we have yet to experience them. I suspect that the FT index will go below 350 to maybe 300 before ending the year at around 550, but it is early to say.

Some people argue that gold

small parcel of land and buildings at Northallerton, Yorkshire. The consideration was £390,000. The sale is in accordance with FMC's announced policy of rationalisation of resources into its mainstream businesses. Under the agreed terms NPD ment to all the employees of the PDU on terms not less favourable than they had with FMC. has offered continued employ

Antony Gibbs loan to Cathay Pacific Air

Antony Gibbs Holdings has recently concluded a loan agreement for \$106.9m (H.K.) and 3.1m with Cathay Pacific Airways. Proceeds of the loan, l'Union Europeenne with whom which was made with the support of the Export Credits strengthen its links as well as Guarantee Department, will be extending its activities in utilized to assist Cathay in Latin America generally. making payment to Rolls-Royce for RE211-524 engines and spares being supplied for the second and third Boeing 747 aircraft ordered by Cathay.

Hogg Robinson ---H. Clarkson

Insurance brokers Hogg Robinson are having discussions

International

San Francisco,-Genstar Ltd

reports that as a result of its recent tender offer, it currently holds about 94 per cent of the

common shares of Flintkote
Co. Genstar will proceed as
soon as practicable with the
merger of Flintkote with
Dorster Inc. a subsidiary of
Genstar.—AP-Dow Jones.

Turin.-Italian car maker,

Genstar-Flantkote

Fiat-Iveco

Spiralling costs hit Ciba-Geigy 1979 earnings

Although talks are still at the preliminary stage Clarkson's chairman Mr H. L. C. Greig said last night that it would make sense to merge the insurance business. Last year Clarkson's commission income amounted to £10m. for the first time.

Brown Shipley in Panama deal

Brown Shipley, the merchant bank, has taken a 20 per cent interest in DIEBEAG Banking Corporation of Panama for \$1.55m. The other shareholders of DIEBEAG are Banca Catalonal Company of the Catalonal Catalon lana, Banco do Commercio e Industria, Bankhaus Gebruder Berhmann and Banque de

Outlook reasonable at Hays Wharf

Proprietors of Hay's Whar's chairman, Sir David Burnett, states in the annual report that the present uncer-tain economic climate renders it difficult to make forecasts.

Overseas, the restructuring of the Belgian companies has still to be completed. The UK. companies and the Republic of Ireland are soundly based.

acquired all Boussac's assets through its subsidiary, Ste Boussac Saint-Freres SA. Under the takeover, the fashion house the Boussac family had a majority stake, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Boussac Saint-Freres.—Reuter.

Kloetkner-Humboldt-Deutz of dend of \$1.80 per share, which was established on April 5 1979.

West Germany to become sole was established on April 5 1979.

In announcing the board's action the Chairman and chief cam. The value of the 20 per executive officer stated: "the decision to raise the dividend is still being negotiated by the sales and earnings in 1979 and reaffirms confidence that 1980.

Concern! Mostors

Detroit.—General Motors' car sales for December 11 to 20 fell by 4.2 per cent to 123,150. Sales of commercial vehicles were

of commercial vehicles were 36,340, down 11.4 per cent.

Total car sales for the year to date were down 8.8 per cent to 4.82 million. Commercial vehicle sales for the year to date were down 17.6 per cent to 1.37 million.—Reuter.

Amax Inc has increased its quarterly dividend by 15 cents a share, raising the dividend to 60 cents from 45 cents on a

over the current annual divi- statement.

Amax raises payout

General Motors

In the absence of any indus-trial unrest, the outlook for the group as a whole for the current year would appear to be favourable with recent acquisitions making a

Bestobell acquires monitoring group

Bestobell, the engineering group, has acquired the Con-dition Monitoring business of Servedyne Controls, Stocktonon-Tees.

The acquisition is designed to assist Bestobell expand its current interests in the growing international market for plant and equipment monitoring systems.

The products involved faciltate early detection of symptoms leading to potential failure and include vibration measurement systems and cen-trifuge out-of-balance monitors. Also included in the transaction is a maximum demand control ler which assists in the avoidance of peak electricity usage surcharges.
In future, the range is to be

manufactured and sold by Bestobell Mobrey Limited, 190-196 Bath Road, Slough Berkshire, under the brand name of Mobrey Servodyne.

will show a continuance of our vigorous performance in the year just ended."

Jardines' new company

Jardine, Matheson and Com-

wholly-owned subsidiary,

pany of Hongkong has set up

Jardine Shipping, to replace its

ship management division and

The new company will have

two subsidiaries—the Indo-

china Steam Navigation Com-

pany, which will manage

Jardine's fleet and any vessels

expand on its work.

Phoenix up 16.5pc

Last year, the Phoenix Group's new sums assured, worldwide, topped the £2,000m mark for the first time—reaching £2,006.4m, a rise of 16.5 per cent on 1978. New annuities p.a. rose from £17.1m to £20.9m, new rose from £17.1m to £20.9m, new annual premiums from £15.2m to £17.5m and new single premiums from £21m to £26.9m—all records. In addition, Ebor Phoenix, which started writing managed fund pensions business in 1979, has funds under management of £11m.

In the United Kingdom Isrge increases are shown in management.

increases are shown in many sectors. Sales of individual tarm assurances again increased markedly and sums assured for all individual policies increased by 54 per cent. The unit-lined by sums assured for all individual policies increased by 54 per cent. The unit-lined by sums as a Property Courth business of Property Growth Assurance also progressed on all fronts with increases of 21 per cent in annual premiums and of The exceptional increases of 1978 in group life and pensions business were consolidated; group life schemes were only 4 per cent down after last year's 90 per cent increase and in addition there was major growth in group permanent health insurance schemes.

PIONEER MUTUAL INSURANCE

INSURANCE
In 1979, the total new annual premiums written were £3.41m (1978-£2.6m) and single premiums were £5.1m (1978-£2.7m). The sums assured by these premiums amounted to £247.4m (1978-£165.2m). In the addings of heavy the new annual things were f2.54m (1978-195.2m). In the ordinary branch the new annual premiums were f2.54m (1978-11.26m) and the sums assured f227.2m (1978-11.32.4m).

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT

Scottish Provident announces substantial increase, effective January 1, 1980 in the rate of (triennially compounding) interim bonus applicable to in-dividual pension contracts from £6.25 per cent per annum to £6.75 per cent per annum. This applies both to pensions for the self-employed and to "E" type contracts providing retirement and death benefits for those in employment (in-cluding "controlling" direc-

LEGAL AND GENERAL Legal and General, Britain's second largest life assurance company, reports that in 1979, new annual premium income totalled £87.1m (1978 : £91.1m) while new single premiums were £36.9m (£29.4m). United owned by others, and Pedder Shipping, which will handle the future development of the fleet and any commercial aspects of share, an increase of 33 per cent fleet business, according to a Kingdom company pensions and annual premiums of group life business accounted (£1.42m.) and single for £57.1m (£64.4m) annual of £1.78m, £164,000).

tors).

premiums of which £43.6m (£41.5m) came from insured schemes and £13.5m (£22.9m) from managed funds. Single premiums were £15.6m (£18.9m). Mr Ron Peet, chief executive, said the reduction in pensions new business premiums had been anticipated following the extraordinary increase in business in 1978 caused by the 1975 Social Security Pensions Act. CLERICAL, MEDICAL

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Society an-nounces an increase of 22 per cent in new ordinary life annual premium income in annual premium income in 1979. New pensions and group life annual premiums were 2 per cent ahead. Overall the society's new annual premium income increased by 7 per cent compared with 1978 and by 113 per cent compared with 1977. Net cent compared with 1977. Net new ordinary life annual premiums for 1979 were £5.6m (1978: £4.6m).

New Life **Business**

ROYAL INSURANCE

Royal Insurance announce that in 1979 net new somes premiums icreased by 5 per cent to £25.0m (1978 £23.3). Net new single premiums were £20.5m (1978 £22.3). In the United Kingdom there was an increase in sales of Royal's pension and retirement plans for directors, key employees and the self-employed.

LIVERPOOL VICTORIA

New life sums assured writ-ten during 1979 by Liverpool Victoria Friendly Society, £201.6m. compared with Victoria Friendly Society, £201.6m. compared with 1170.5m. in 1978; new premium income, £12,33m. (£9.78m.). In the ordinary branch, the new sums assured were £55.3m. (£48.0m.), with new premium income of £2,25m. (£1.93m.) and in the industrial branch the new sums assured were £146.3m. (£122.5m.), with new premium income of £10,08m (£7.85m.).

ZURICH LIFE ASSURANCE Zurich Life achieved record new business in 1979—11,907 new ousness in 1979—11,907 new policies were issued (against 4,307 in 1978), provi-cing sums assured of £104,24m (£42m.) and annuiries of £510,000 (£743,000), secured by annual premiums of £5.3m. (£1.42m.) and single premiums of £1.78m £154,000)

Fiat SPA, finalizing a long-planned operation, has bought Agache-Willot, which has been managing Groupe Boussac com-panies since April last year, a 20 per cent stake held by

World stock markets v inflation

A dismal decade for most

World stock market performances were unspectacular during the decade which has just ended. Of the eighteen markets surveyed by Capital International SA. only eleven managed to show an increase and only five rose by over 100 per cent. while seven actually registered a decline.

Against a background of galloping inflation, this is indeed a dismal performance. In fact, only the markets in the top four countries, Hongkong, Singapore, Norway and Japan, showed profits in real terms. The table below compares the level of the Capital International stock

Stock market performances were very divergent, ranging from +462 per cent to -48 per cent, with the Far Eastern countries leading the league and the smaller European countries at the bottom of the list. The United States had an almost neutral performance during the

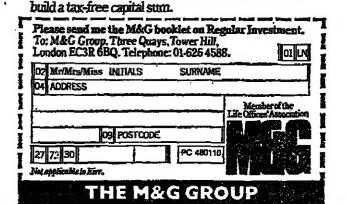
Inflation ranged between +62 per cent (Switzerland) and +275 per cent (Spain). Low inflation did not necessarily lead to good market performance, since both the Swiss and German markets showed falls over the period. The country with the worst inflation record, however, also registered the worst stock market decline.

18 markets expressed in United States dollars, was up 31 per cent, while the price of gold rose by a multiplier of 15. Capital International first launched 14

Consumer Price Capital International in local currencies Dec 31 1979 218

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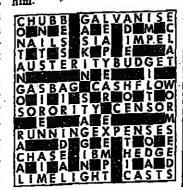
investor's crossword The Christmas Investor's Cross- book token has been sent to

Bowring CT 10p to 122p Electronic Rentals 9p to 88p

Fairview Estates 13p to 180p

word proved amazingly popu- him. lar, particularly if one assumes that there must be at least ten hopefuls attempting a crossword to each successful addict who actually completes it.

Not that all those who did manage to beat the postal sys-tem and return the finished crossword to us by yesterday, were correct: "4 down" were correct: "4 down tripped up a number of contestants. The winner, drawn testants. from the bag yesterday after-noon, is Mr D. E. Samual of Notting Hill, London A £10



market indices in local currencies to that of the latest national consumer price indices available. period.

The "World Index", a weighted arith-

national stock market indices in 1969. In the early seventies, four more markets were added, bringing the total number of indices calculated daily to 18. These indices are fully comparable with one another because they are constructed on the same design principles and are adjusted by the same formulae. They share an identical base date of January 1, 1970=100.

Stock Market Indices* Indices* Latest 1979 figure available Hongkong metic average of the performance of the

The World Index: 131; Base Date January 1. 1970 = 100.

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Briefly

EUROPEAN OPTIONS
EXCHANGE
A delegation will be visiting London later this month as the first step towards encouraging British investors to deal through the EOE.

the EOE.

EDITH—ICFC

In a joint deal with the Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation and Estate Duties Investment Trust (EDITH) 35 percent of the equity of Mann and Son, London (Holdings) has been sold by the family trust for tax planning purposes. Total value of the transaction is £787,500, equally shared between ICFC and EDITH.

CRELLON HOLDINGS Crellon Holdings' name is now officially Mainline Electronic.

WEST COAST TRUST
Since ending of exchange controls. West Coast and Texas
Regional Investment I rust has
repaid various loan drawings
made under its multi-currency
loan facility. cutting outstanding
loans at end-Dec. to \$600,000
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end-Dec. to \$600,000. SEKERS INTERNATIONAL
Sekers offer for the 750,000
ordinary shares of David Evans
has been accepted by holders of
100 per cent of the issued share
capital.

WEBSTERS
In accordance with the special resolution passed at the 1979 AGM "Websters Publications Limited" changed its name to "the Websters Group Limited" from January 1.

from January 1.

BROCKHOUSE

In his annual report, the chairman, Mr R. J. H. Parkes, tells shareholders that in value terms, the group's overall order-book is up on this time last year. But the market place is still suffering from the aftermath of the engineers' strike. Nevertheless, barring widespread national disruption in the year ahead. Brockhouse is set to pursue the profit improvement denied to it in 1979.

HAMMERSON PROPERTY HAMMERSON PROPERTY

Take-over of Reunion completed on December 28. Acceptances received under rights issue for 1.42m ordinary shares (98.8 per cent) and 5.05m "A" shares (98.1 per cent).

INV TRUST OF GUERNSEY Net asset value on December 31, 1979, was 204p a share. LRC INTERNATIONAL

Mr D. H. S. Howard, director, has acquired 50,000 ord shares. Sir Edward Howard, director, has acquired 150,000 ord shares. INVESTMENT No Int (some). Pre-tax profit half year to September 30 £163.000 (£152,000). Tax £57,000 (£55,000).

STAVERT ZIGOMALA Trading profit for half-year to September 30 £2,000 (£3,000). Investment income franked £12,000 (£11,000) and unfranked less bank interest paid £1,000 (£422). Pre-tax profit £16,000 (£15,000).

FAIRDALE TEXTILES For purely mechanical reasons, company will not be able to announce by January 7 its results for first half of current year. They will be available before the end of the month.

Options

Activity among traded options resumed at a brisk pace yesterday morning with over 600 contracts being completed by mid-day. Business, however, faded a little in the afternoon and by the close totalled 856 compared with Thursday's figure of \$17.

Consolidated Gold Fields Consolidated Gold Fields once again featured prominently accounting for 305 contracts as dealers reported active two way dealing which included the new series of 420p January, February and April's which began yesterday. Profit taking was also encountered but this was mostly cancelled out by buyers coming in at the out by buyers coming in at the low end.

Business among traditional options was reported described as moderate with mines and oil shares attracting most attention. Doubles were completed in Smith Bros. Poseidon and Con-solidated Gold Fields.

Bank Base Rates

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M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited 27/28 Lovat Lane London EC3R 8EB Telephone: 01-638 8651 The Over-the-Counter Market

High	n so Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Div (p)	Yid	P.E
99	73	Airsprung Group	74	_	6.7	9.0	*4.4
50	38	Armitage & Rhodes	_38		3.8	10.0	+2.5
223	135	Bardon Hill	220	_	13.8	6.3	*6.5
101	63	Deborah Ord	92	_	5.0	5.4	10.1
353	140	Deborah 171 °. CULS	353	=	17.5	5.0	
91	88	Frank Horsell	16	_	7.9	8.7	5.6
129	100	Frederick Parker	108	_	12.8	11.8	*8.4
156	110	George Blair	110		16.5	15.0	*-
61	45	Jackson Group	, 59		5.2	8.8	*3.5
153	115	James Burrough	116	_	7.2	6.2	10.3
300	242	Robert Jenkins	244 223	_	31.3	12.8	T4.8
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80	70	Twinlock 12 ULS	76		12.0	15.8	
56	23	Unilock Holdings	56	_	2.6	4.6	11.9
84	42	Walter Alexander	83	_	4.4	5.3	5.3
190	136	نeate	_184.	_	11.5	6.3	7.1

Wall Street

New York, Jan 4.—Stock prices ended on a higher note in active trading. After an initial burst of steam in the morning, the market settled back until a further served back until a further improvement began in late trading. Some analysts had been anticipating a lesitation in front of the Federal reserves's money supply figures.

Advancing Issues outnumbered decilies by about 1,050 to about 220

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 8.53 points to 828.84, while volume slipped to 39,130,000 shares from Thursday's heavy total of 50,480,000 shares.

Gold closes lower

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New York, Jan 1.—Gold closed below Thursday's close at \$601 to \$601 an numer. Street highs of \$621 and tows of \$604 on the control of \$602 and \$602 and

2.2400 (2.2347); three months, 2.2285 (2.2200); Canadian dollar, 1.1670 (1.1695). 421.07. The Dow Jones averages.—Indus-

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SILVER was firm after £4187.
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1.463.05p per troy ounce (United States
cents equivalent). 3.275); three months
1.518p (3.280:60c); six months, 1351p
(3.230:90c); one year 2.618p
(3.255.60c). London Mcsi Sectame.
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Aorange,—Cash Edwards 2898. Sales, 1970-71. Settlement, 2898. Sales, 1,100 tons easier.—Afternoon.—Cash, 2980-20 per neuric ten; three months 12,800-20 per neuric ten; three months 13,800-1,900. Sales, 20,600-50; three months 12,800. Settlement, 21,800. Sales,

ING.—Cash E2.850-50; three months are considered as the consument, 22.850. Sales, 236 ions.

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1.882-85; Nov. 1.870-80; Jan. 1.530-90. Sales, 6.680 lats including 9 options.

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Was at \$326.25 (5730) a

rais. 828.84 (820.31); transportation 251.31 (247.22); utilities, 106.9 (106.16); 65 stocks, 296.22 (292.22). New York Stock Exchange Jacks 61.17 (60.34); industrials, 59.20 (58.17); transportation, 50.20 (49.30) utilities, 36.84 (36.52); financial

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MEAT COMMISSION: Average Talslock prices at representative markets on lan 4.—GB cattle, 79.75, per kg lw I—I_G1: UK sheep, 138.5g per kg cs d c w I—I_T: GB pigs, 6.5g per kg lw (-7.6) England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 5.1 per cent average numbers down 5.1 per cent average

Recent Issues

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Commodities

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TIN was steady.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £7.460-80 a metric ion; three months, £7.320-30. Sales, 530 lons. High grade, £2ab £7.460-80; three months, £7.20-40. Sales, 11 lons. Standard cash, £7.30-30. £7.305; three months, £7.50-50-67. 550 tons. High grade, £2sh £7.50-7.505; three months £7.20-40. Seltlement, £7.50. Sales, 11 lons. Singapore (in exworks, \$92.11 a picul.

£840 was easier.—Alternoon.—Ess \$92.311 per metric ton; three months £500-501. Sales, 3.200 lons. Morning.—Lash £725-20; three months £510-501. Sales, \$1.200 lons.

Discount market

The discount houses were again pleasantly surprised to find credit in full supply yesterday and, as on Thursday, market sources suggested that the comfortable condition was partly due to some tax payments being deferred. The Bank of England did not intervene. Following a similar pattern to Thursday, secured loans opened quite firm at around 15) per cent, nursday, secured loans opened quite firm at around 151 per cent, but quickly back-pedailed to 15-151 per cent when a surplus was officially declared. Rates stayed around these levels until well into the afternoon when they suddenly fell away to between 11 and 13 per cent for final balances.

Large above-target balances brought forward from Thursday, with a further small fall in the note circulation, comfortably took care of a moderate excess of Revenue transfers to the Exchequer over Government disbursements.

Money Market Rates

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Foreign exchange report

The dollar was able to stage a small recovery at the expense of most other major currencies on foreign exchange markets yesterday. Sterling, which fluctuated within narrow limits throughout, ended 8 points lower at 2.3380 of this year. Elsewhere the D compared with 2.2400 dollars overnight. The trade weighted index also retreated with the final calculation at 70.3 against 70.5 at the previous close.

The yen provided a late feature moving ahead quite sharply against the dollar to 234.53 (238.30), behind reports that Japan had secured an oil supply deal with Iran for the romainder mark, easier for most of the Swiss franc 1.5760 (1.5710) and French franc 4.0200 (4.0085), were all on offer against the dollar to 234.53

Sterling Spot and Forward

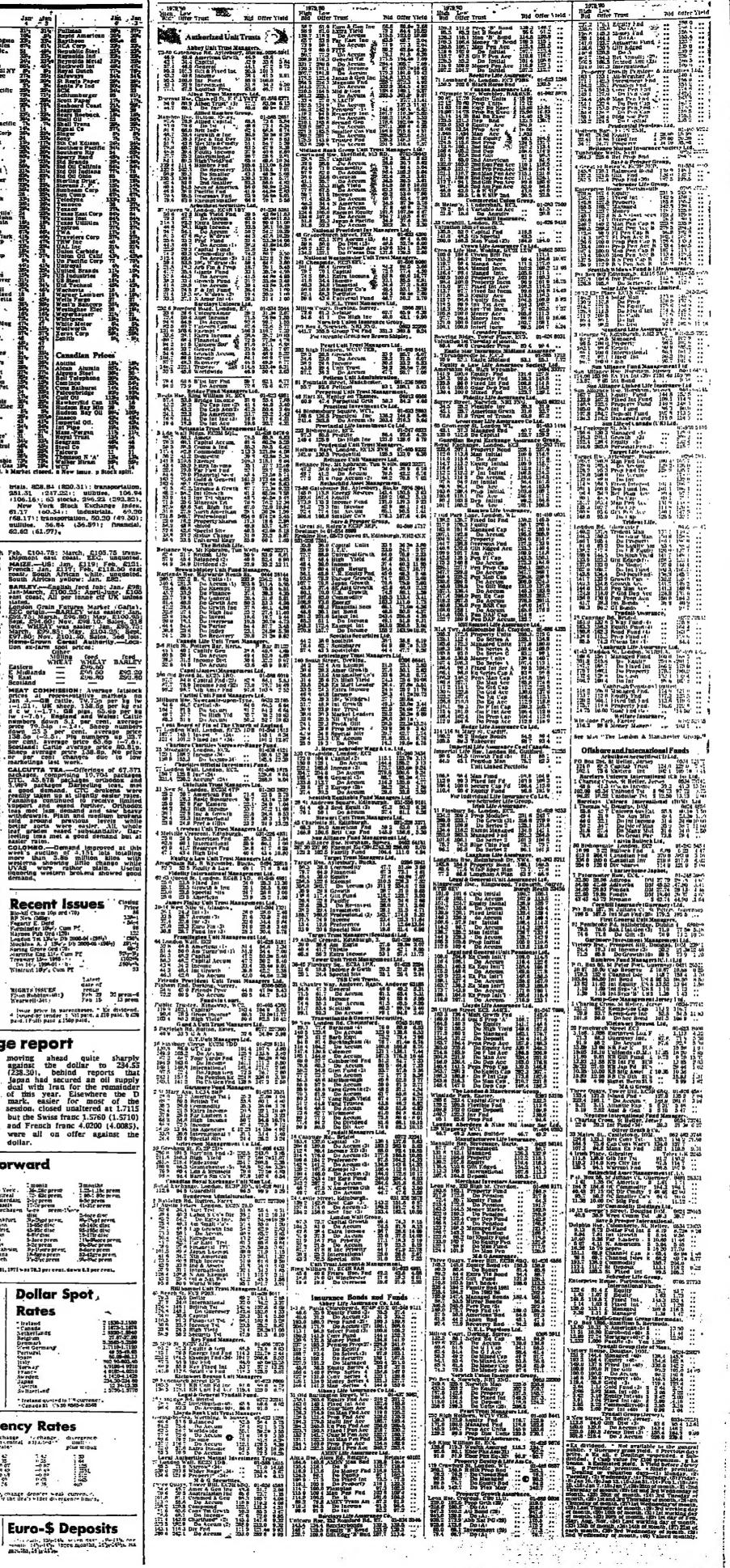
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Dollar Spot Sterling: Other Rates Markets

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Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds



Stock Exchange Prices

Technical rally

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, Dec 28. Dealings End, Jan 11. 5 Contango Day, Jan 14. Settlement Day, Jan 21.

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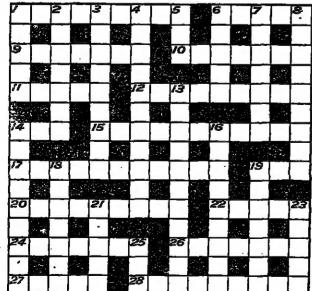
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1 Floral tip for Elisha being sent up by the kids (9), 6 Such boats assured of fair

12 General art of gening time. (4, 1, 4).

14 Sun may do this to several

18 Dost propose for me a home in the bush, very humble? 13).
15 Date for "reviving old desires"? (3, 5, 3).
17 Indicative of my pi tom car's indisposition (11).
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19 Look a yard or so up to soft-eyed Dorcas (7).
21 My! About to scoff something so substantial (5).

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24 First victim takes a short way to tragic lover (7). 26 Beamed on by Shelley's rotund maiden (7).
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28 Incorporation among Swiss Rotarians? (9). DOWN t Punch might take on at

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2 Song for a send-off (7).
3 Bandar head in the earth (6-3).
4 But she's no one-eyed Cleopatra (11).

5 Lad turns into lout (3).

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9 Angel wrestling with me—
what a mix up (7).

10 Bill changed to include, yes,

11 Type of super school book
(5, 6). French dist (7).

11 Make a moving speech?
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